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JAPANESE PROGRESS HALTED BY NEW LINE

Claim Chinese Right Flank Is Giving Ground

HEAVY LOSSES IN TANYANG FIGHTING

Shanghai, 2 p.m. To-day.

While it is admitted by authoritative Japanese quarters that the Japanese advance has been brought to a halt by the new Chinese defence system on the northern sector of the front, it is claimed that the Chinese right wing is still giving ground.

Heavy fighting in rearguard actions along the Shanghai-Nanking highway continued all through the night, but the Chinese retired from Lucheng and Lingkow in turn and early this morning Tanyang station fell into Japanese hands.

It is reliably learned that no serious attempt was made to hold these points, the Chinese defence having been concentrated in Tanyang City and along the canal.

HEAVY LOSSES

Japanese admit heavy losses in encounters with Chinese machine-gun nests.

Similar developments are reported along the Changchow-Kintan highway. Puyi and Hwangtang have been taken by the Japanese but the advance has been halted at Kintan where attacks have been repulsed with heavy loss.

JAPANESE CLAIMS

Japanese claim that the advance from Kwangteh is proceeding steadily in spite of stubborn Chinese resistance. Lukiapu fell at ten o'clock this morning, they claim, and the military spokesman suggested that the Japanese would soon be in contact with the Chinese defence line at Langki.

The Chinese troops retiring from Hing are preparing to make a stand. The fall of Liyang, claimed by the Japanese, is denied by Chinese quarters.

BIG BATTLE PENDING

Expectations here are that the next 24 hours will witness the development of one of the greatest engagements of the Shanghai operations, though failure of the Chinese to maintain a continuous line is felt to be jeopardising their chance of a decisive challenge to the Japanese advance on Nanking.

Nevertheless, the Chinkiang, Tanyang, Kintan, Liyang defence system presents the Japanese military

FUKIEN BEING PREPARED AGAINST INVASION AMOY PRACTICALLY GHOST CITY

That the military authorities in South China are more apprehensive of an invasion of the Fukien coast than of Kwangtung was revealed by a well-known local business man, who arrived in Hong Kong this morning after a tour of the coast.

Between Amoy and Foochow, coast defences have been constructed on a remarkable scale, while further inland trenches with concrete emplacements and extensive dug-outs are in course of construction.

HIVE OF ACTIVITY

The "China Mail" was told that the highway between Foochow and Amoy is a hive of military activity, troops, mostly Cantonese, are to be seen everywhere, especially in Amoy, where the port is virtually a military camp.

In Foochow itself, there is practically no military activity of troops at all. Foochow is the only port along the coast which has not yet been attacked by Japanese planes. Conditions are normal al-

though appearance of Japanese planes over the city are daily occurrences.

Rumours are current that the Governor of Fukien Province has come to some agreement with the Japanese.

HAITAN'S NARROW ESCAPE

The Min River has been blockaded. Junks laden with slabs of concrete have been sunk at the entrance to the river, while floating

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JAPAN'S TAKES STAND ON CUSTOMS

Tokyo, To day.

The Japanese Government maintains that the Shanghai Maritime Customs is a Chinese Government organ, and that therefore the question of Japan taking over its administration should be solved through direct Sino-Japanese negotiations, and Japan adheres to the principle of refusing third-power interference, says the "Asahi Shimbun."

The paper adds that therefore Japan cannot consent to establishment of a commission including third-power representatives to discuss the Customs issue. — Renter.

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TONGMEI BOMBED IN TODAY'S RAID

Japanese planes during this morning's air raid attacked the Kowloon-Canton Railway line at Tongmei, among other places.

Planes bombed the line here at a spot only 20 miles from Canton while the down train was half a mile from Tongmei, and passengers were forced to leave the carriages and hide in the fields.

Five planes took part in the raid, which was directed against the tracks only.

After half an hour, during which several bombs were dropped, which failed to damage the track, the train was able to proceed to Kowloon.

with a serious problem and it is not likely to be taken except at heavy sacrifice. — Our Own Correspondent.

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On the other hand, there is no reason to under-mark yourself and be too harsh. Arrive at a fair conclusion and think carefully before you give yourself your marks.

Count up how you have done at the end, and see if you have passed the examination test with flying colours.

The first examination paper is for both of you; it is to be answered by either sex, and the figures allotted to each question, or where it is indicated to each half of the question.

1. Are you of an amiable temper? If you cannot say yes fairly, go on to the second part of this question, are you sulky, or violent? If violent, do you lose all control of yourself?

2. Are you interested in the outside world? Games? Cinema? Reading? Theatre? Walks? Or Hobbies? Full marks to be awarded for any of these in which your future partner is also interested. Mutual interests are one of the greatest bases for happy marriage.

3. Do you make friends easily?

4. Are you a home bird? If your future partner is of a similar disposition, then you can award full marks for that.

5. Are you sentimental? Sentiment ties marriage together.

6. Have you any violent religious

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or political theories likely to cause disruptions in the home?

7. Have you relations who will be likely to help you keep your marriage happy?

8. Are you really in love? The major number of marks for that first paper is eighty. If you can give yourself half, then you are standing the average chance. Above that you have every chance.

The next paper is for the husband-to-be.

1. Did you have an excellent mother, who has put your standard of womanhood so high, that no other woman can (in your own mind) live up to it? Be fair on this point and allot your marks carefully.

2. Have you a job which does not harass you?

3. Are you likely to keep that

job, and will your financial status be likely to improve from time to time?

4. Are you dependable?

5. Are you thoughtful for others, in that you will not expect her to stay in every evening with you when she is sick of the house, or vice-versa? Are you prepared to share life?

6. Have you any intimate knowledge of domestic life and the drag it is upon a woman?

7. Do you want children? Children cement marriage.

8. If you have children will you put them first? This has disrupted many a marriage and is a mistake.

9. Are you balanced? Of fair judgment?

The maximum number of marks for a man is ninety.

ARE YOU A PERFECT WIFE?

1. Are you domesticated, with a fair knowledge of housework, and together

of cooking, and how to run a home, so that this will not be irksome?

2. Are you a good manager of money and can be sure you will not run into debt?

3. Are you in love?

4. Are you thoughtful for somebody else's needs?

5. Can you keep a secret?

6. Are you known to say I-told-you-so?

7. Do you spend too much on clothes?

8. Are you fond of gossip?

The maximum number of marks you can obtain for this is eighty. See what you have given yourself. You, and you only, will know if you have cheated. The result, if allotted fairly, will give you a very reasonable idea of how much happiness you may expect from marriage, given ordinary circumstances.



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Don't Let The River Run Dry (Haines & Harper).
Just Keepin' On (Phillips).
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
1240 p.m.—Raie Da Costa at the Piano.
'One Hour With You'—Medley (Whiting & Strans).
'Music In The Air'—Medley (Hammerstein & Kern).
1252 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
'Follow The Sun' Selection..... Jack Jackson's Dorchester Hotel Orchestra, London. (With Vocal Refrain).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal, and Weather Report.
103 p.m.—Albert Sandler (Violin) and His Orchestra.
Prelude (Haydn Wood).
Souvenir D'Ukraine (Ferraris).
Black Eyes—Russian Impression (Ferraris).
Allegro (Fiocco, arr. Bent and O'Neill).
Pale Moon (Indian Love Song—Logan, arr. Kreisler)..... Violin Solo. Marnschka (De Leur).
Cuban Serenade (C. Midgley).
Jealousy (J. Gade).
Live, Laugh And Love (Theme Song 'Congress Dances'—Heymann).
Orchestra.
130 p.m.—Renter and Rugby Press. Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.

140 p.m.—Latest Variety Records.
215 p.m.—Close down.
5-805 p.m.—European Programme.
805-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
5 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Concert.
649 p.m.—Songs by Stuart Robertson (Bass-Baritone).
The Mermaid; Polly Wolly Doodle (arr. W.H.W.).
Little Brown Jug; The Three Crows (Eastburn).
The Sancy Arethusa (Traditional).
658 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Concerto No. 1 in B Flat Major for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 23. Played by Solomon and The Halle Orchestra.
730 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations & Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
735 p.m.—Variety.
Vocal—
Tony's In Town.
It's Love Again (From the film). Jessie Matthews.
Organ—
Rodeo March (Ramsay).
St. Louis Blues (Handy). Harold Ramsay.
Vocal & Piano—
Afterglow (Stillman-Ram-Levant).
The Way You Look To-night (film 'Swing Time')..... Leslie Hutchinson.
Organ—
'Broadway Melody of 1938'—Selection.

'The Singing Marine'—Selection.
Reginald Foort.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
805 p.m.—Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.
11 p.m.—Close down.
805-11 p.m.—European Programme from ZEK on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.
805 p.m.—Liszt Compositions.
830 p.m.—London Relay—'At The Black Dog'.
9 p.m.—London Relay—Light Orchestral Music.
910 p.m.—London Relay—Food for Thought.
930 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
950 p.m.—Max Bruch—Concerto No. 1 in C Minor Op. 26. Played by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.
1015 p.m.—Songs by Richard Tanber (Tenor).
A Brown Bird Singing (Barrie—Haydn Wood).
I Love The Moon (Rubens).
Rose Marie (Friml).
1025 p.m.—Variety & Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close down.

935 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 945 a.m.
955 a.m.—'Food for Thought'.
1015 a.m.—Stars of Variety.
1025 a.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—
GSJ 2153 Mc/s (13.93 m.)
GSH 2147 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 1779 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 1518 Mc/s (19.76 m.)

1045 a.m.—Big Ben. Orchestre Raymond.
1130 a.m.—Felton Rapley, at the Organ of the Gaumont Palace, Birmingham.
12 noon.—Sportsmen Talking: Steve Donoghue and Geoffrey Gilbey.
1215 p.m.—Violoncello Recital by Frank Ford.
1230 p.m.—'At the Black Dog'.
1300 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.
1318 p.m.—'Food for Thought'.
1330 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1345 p.m.
155 p.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—
GSH 2147 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 1779 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
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GSB 951 Mc/s (31.55 m.)

G.M.T.
5.15 a.m.—Big Ben. 'All in Pink'.
7.00 a.m.—Variations for Pianoforte: Brahms.

2.15 p.m.—Big Ben. Stars of Variety.
2.30 p.m.—Light Classical Concert.
3.15 p.m.—'All in Pink'.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—'As I See It'—5. A talk by Sir Josiah Stamp, G.C.B., G.B.E.
4.35 p.m.—The Bath Pump Room Orchestra.
5.00 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Negative Reasoning

"Negative reasoning" is perhaps the most reliable measuring rod that can be employed in bridge. Bids that *would have been made* if the situation had been so and so; cards that *must be* in such and such a hand because, if it were otherwise, a certain play would have been inevitable—these are the deductions that point the way to success. East's splendid defence in the hand shown below was nothing but the result of *negative reasoning*.

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S-K Q 7 3
H-Q 10 9 4
D-K 9 5 2
C-6

WEST

S-6 5
H-J 3
D-Q 7 6
C-A K Q 10 9 2

EAST

S-8
H-A K 8 7 6 5
D-10 8
C-J 5 4 3

SOUTH

S-A J 10 9 4 2
H-2
D-A J 4 3
C-8 7

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 spade	2 clubs	2 spades	3 hearts
3 spades	Pass	4 spades	5 clubs
Pass	Pass	5 spades	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West opened the club king and, after studying the dummy, shifted to a trump. Declarer won, ruffed a club in dummy, and then returned to his hand with a second trump. The deuce of hearts followed and, when West played low, dummy's nine forced East's king.

At this point East settled down for some intensive thinking. South's opening bid, in the light of the cards already played and in sight, clearly marked him with the diamond ace and probably a lower diamond honour as well. West's vulnerable two club overcall must

have been based on six clubs. Declarer's play had been further evidence of this fact. West could not have a singleton heart, because, in that event, he would have jumped at the opportunity to lead the singleton after having held the club king. This reasoning led to the certain conclusion that declarer had started with six spades, four diamonds, two clubs and one heart, and pointed out the proper defence.

After winning the heart king East led back with a low heart! Declarer was placed in a tough spot by this excellent defence. As it happened, he could have made his contract by taking a backward diamond finesse, i.e., by leading the diamond Jack through West. But this would have been virtually a double-dummy play and, therefore, no particular opprobrium should be heaped on South for losing the hand. He ruffed East's heart return [one diamond discard on the hearts would do him no good] and played the diamond suit, leading to the king and finessing back to his jack.

It should be observed that any other return by East after winning the heart king would have made matters easy. On a club return, South would discard a diamond while ruffing in the dummy, then his proper percentage play would be to lead the heart queen through East. This would drop West's jack and provide a discard for another diamond. A diamond return by East would have taken the guess out of the diamond situation and, lastly, the attempted cashing of the heart ace would have established two heart tricks in dummy.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Dealer opened the bidding with one no trump. Next hand passed. What is third hand's proper response with S-Q 8 H-K Q 8 6 2 D-K 9 5 C-8 7 6?

Answer: Three no trump.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Dark Hazard", with Edward G. Robinson, Genevieve Tobin and Glenda Farrell. The story of an inveterate gambler who is so engrossed with his passion for gambling that he has little time for the gentler sex, neglects his wife, but turns back to her after a wild vamp has done her worst.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Flight From Glory", with Chester Morris and Whitney Bourne. A gripping drama of an aerial legion of lost men and concerns the harrowing experiences of a group of renegade aviators engaged in flying condemned planes over the lofty peaks of the treacherous Andes.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"The 13th Chair". Grim mystery among a group of people gathered round a table for a seance, and solution of a baffling murder by the use of a second seance, with the murder weapons' location known only to the audience are but a few of the exciting elements of this film. The cast includes, Dame May Whitty, Madge Evans, Thomas Beck, Lewis Stone, Elissa Landi and Ralph Forbes.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Trouble At Midnight", with Noah Beery, Jr., portraying a dairy owner, Larry Blake, who helps him trap cattle rustlers; Catherine Hughes, seen as Beery's sweetheart, and Bernadene Hayes, romantically interested in Blake.

This picture deals with a new racket and the successful capture of the racketeers. Modern cattle rustlers steal cattle in the Midwest and by transporting them some 300 miles away sell them at low prices. The story is based on the activities of stock holder in crushing this racket.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"The Case Of The Velvet Claws". Another thriller from the facile pen of Edle Stanley Gardner. This time it is the story of an interrupted honeymoon—Perry Mason's, with the famous sleuth sought for murder. Starring Warren William, Claire Dodd, Winifred Shaw, Gordon Elliot, Eddie Acuff and Joseph King.

AT THE STAR—"King Of Gamblers". A gripping tale of big city racketeers whose only weapons are bombs and machine guns. A drama of love that was as ruthless as hate. Starring Claire Trevor, Lloyd Nolan, Akim Tamiroff, Larry Crabbe, Helen Batge, Porter Hall and Harvey Stephens.



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**JAPAN'S NEW
POLITICAL
LINE-UP**

Tokyo, To-day.

Mr. Francisco de Castillo has formally assumed the post of acting Minister to Japan on behalf of General Franco, while Mr. Takaoka, Japanese Consul-General in Belgrade, has been appointed acting Minister in Salamanca to which he is proceeding immediately. — Our Own Correspondent.

JAPAN AND ITALY

Rome, To-day.

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, has telegraphed Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, thanking him for Italy's recognition of Manchukuo.

Signor Mussolini yesterday received a Japanese aviation mission headed by Col. Watanabe.

The mission is visiting aeroplane construction works in Italy. — Reuter.

**HUGE FIRES
RAVAGING NANTAO**

Shanghai, To-day.

Colossal new fires are devouring the Nantao Bund, close to the French Concession, and columns of smoke rising to the sky are visible in the whole of Shanghai.

The fires are believed to be consuming Chinese wharves and godowns along the riverside.

The French fire brigade is standing by in order to prevent the flames spreading to the French Bund. — Reuter.

**HIGHLANDER
BOUND OVER**

Private Matthew Mitchell, of the Seaforth Highlanders, was this morning bound over for one year when he pleaded guilty to a charge of common assault on Yuen Hau, an amah at Wanchai.

Sub-Inspector Tuckett said complainant was an amah at No. 16, Luard Road. Defendant visited the address, as he had two friends who stayed there, but no-one was at home. Complainant tried to get him to leave the house and he struck her.

**Forthcoming
Wedding**

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. John Michaelovitch Horkoff, an engineer of the Macao Electric Lighting Company, residing at Estrada D. Maria II, Macao, and Claudia Fedorovna Arbusoff (nee Viatkins), residing on the second floor of the Afhambra Theatre Building, Kowloon, has been announced.

**SHIP'S OFFICERS
GIVEN GUNNERY
TRAINING**

London, To-day.

Special courses for officers of the mercantile marine, affording training in gunnery and other activities fitting them for duties in an emergency, which were opened at the end of August, have been attended by 1,468 officers, of whom 1,236 have now completed the course of instruction. — British Wireless.

**DIAMONDS
HAVE COME
DOWN IN
LIFE**

They are making diamonds do navies' job's now—a million pounds' worth of them, writes a correspondent.

They work for their "living" by cutting up solid rock as though it were made of cream cheese, slicing stone paving blocks as though they were made of butter, and splitting copper wire till it shimmers like a thread.

I saw pictures of diamonds at work at the African Court of the Imperial Institute, South Kensington.

About 50 of them, at £10 a-piece, were studded in the teeth of a circular saw.

Their job was to cut up paving blocks. But they don't shine like their socialite relatives which sparkle in rings, necklaces and tiaras. They look like little chips of coal.

They are just "rough diamonds."

An official of the Institute, who thinks people ought to know the diamond is not always something expensive to be worn by pretty women, explained to me that diamonds are among the hardest-worked jewels in industry.

"Fifty per cent. of the diamond output goes into industry. We use them for engineering precision work."

Among other jobs done by the diamonds forced into a life of industrialism instead of social glitter are drawing wires for electric bulb filaments, piercing eye-glasses and the familiar glass-cutting.

The exhibits at the Imperial Institute are meant for children, so that they can see for themselves that all diamonds don't glitter.

**PERFORMANCE OF
"MACBETH"**

Anyone who is interested in Shakespeare should not miss the opportunity of seeing "Macbeth" which the Arts Association of the Hong Kong University is going to produce on Friday, January 28.

His Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to be present on the occasion. A special performance for school students will be given on Thursday, January 27th. The proceeds will be given to the relief fund for the distressed areas in North China.

A farewell Tea Party will be given on Saturday, December 11, at 10 a.m., in the Union Assembly Room, in honour of Prof. W. C. W. Nixon who is going home for good. A group photograph will be taken before Tea at 9.45 a.m.

**CENTRAL
THEATRE**COMMENCING TO-MORROW
Daily at 2.30, 5.15, 7.20, & 9.30 p.m.
Prices: 20 cts—35 cts—45 cts—55 cts.**VIRGINS OF
BALI**



Photo taken at the height of the timber-yard fire at Mongkok on Tuesday, when extensive damage was done in a two-hour blaze. Fortunately no casualties occurred, though scores of timber-yard families were rendered homeless. (Yuen Chun).

PLIANCY OF S.M.C. ROUSES CRITICAL COMMENT

Hankow, To-day.

THE Japanese demand for transfer to them of important branches of the administration in Shanghai, was characterised here yesterday by a Nanking Government spokesman as a new breach of treaties.

At the same time he expressed the Chinese Government's regret at the attitude of the foreign powers represented on the Shanghai Municipal Council, whose pliancy, he said, was calculated to encourage Japan to violate neutrality of the International Settlement.

The spokesman added that only urgency of other business hitherto had prevented the Chinese Government from making official representations on the subject to the powers in question, but that in any case the Chinese Government "will not forget their attitude."—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO-POLISH ALLIANCE FOR EQUILIBRIUM

Warsaw, To-day.

The Franco-Polish alliance no longer encountered anywhere in the world any suspicion concerning its aims or solidity, declared M. Yvon Delbos, the French Foreign Minister, in London, according to an interview published in a Warsaw newspaper.

Co-operation between Poland and France in the task of consolidating peace constituted one of the principal factors of European equilibrium.

The Franco-Polish alliance needed no other explanation than that furnished by the real interests of both countries.—Trans-Ocean.

FIRE ABOARD BATTLESHIP

London, To-day.

A fire, which might have proved more serious but for its timely discovery, broke out on H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth in Portsmouth dockyard yesterday.

It originated in an oil tank where it is believed some oil waste caught alight.

Members of the crew, after half an hour, succeeded in extinguishing the flames with buckets of water before any damage had been done.—British Wireless.

JAPANESE CLAIMS IN ANTICIPATION

Shanghai, To-day.

Drawn up in their new line, which virtually forms the last important stronghold east of Nanking, Chinese troops in Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei provinces are continuing the attempt to consolidate their positions in the face of fierce Japanese aerial, artillery and infantry assaults.

Meanwhile, meagre Chinese reports available in Shanghai contradict startling Japanese claims of successes.

While admitting that Changchow and Iking have fallen, Chinese sources state that the rapid advance claimed by the Japanese from those two cities appears to be of an "anticipatory" nature.

They deny capture of Kwangteh, and declare that the highway between Changhsin and Kwangteh is well barricaded and all bridges blown up.

In view of the stubborn Chinese defence of Kwangteh, Japanese troops are reported to have gathered a fleet of steam launches at Wangsu village east of the city, with the apparent intention of breaking through the Chienchen position and reaching Longkai, north-west of Kwangteh River.

NO MORE BRITISH WAR PRISONERS

London, To-day.

All British soldiers known to have been held in prisoner of war by General Franco's forces have now been released, the Foreign Secretary told the Commons.—British Wireless.

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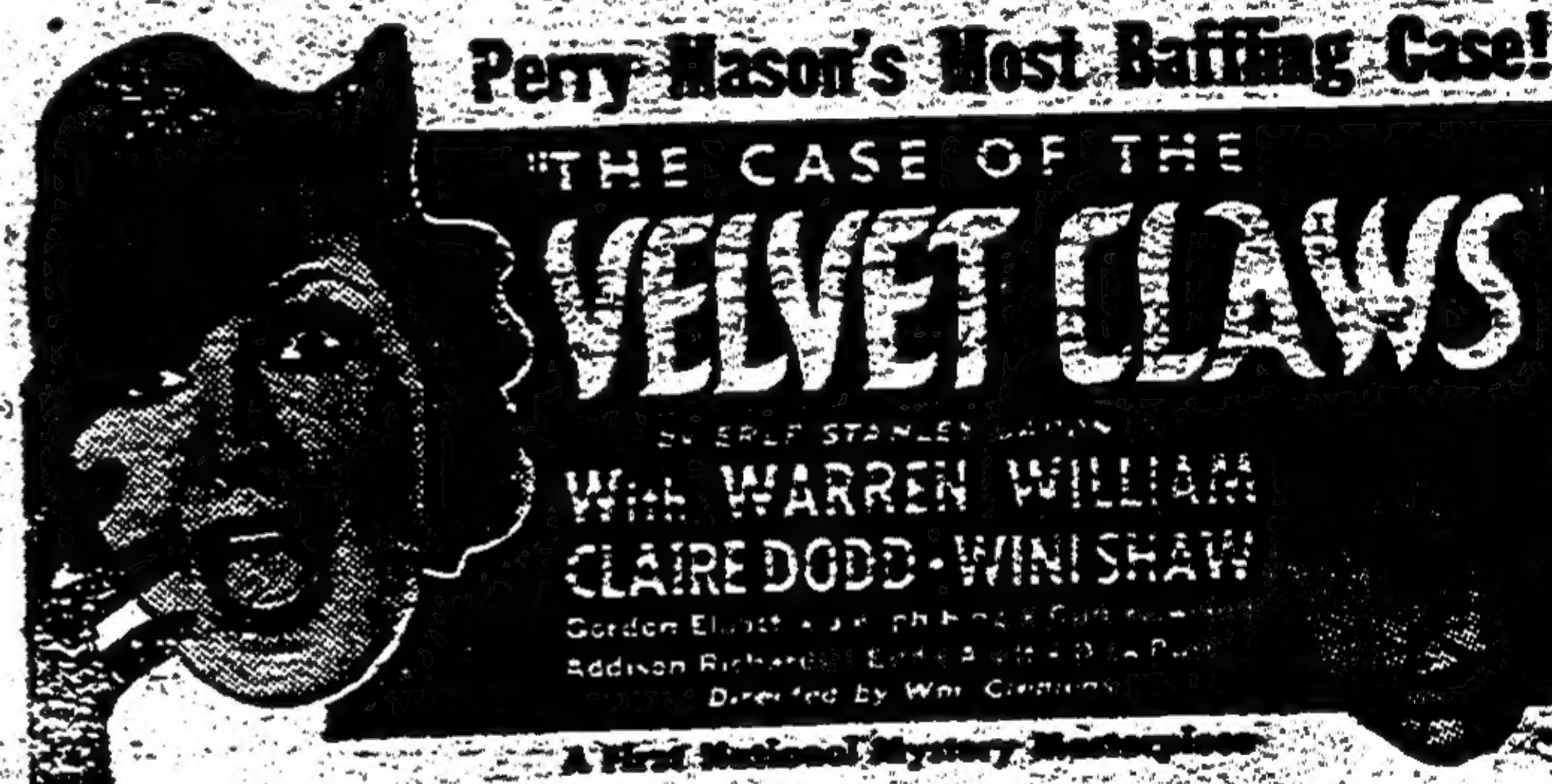
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After this they will circumnavigate Australia.

Compared with Drake's three-year voyage of 35,000 miles, the squadron's actual flying time is estimated at 400 hours.—Reuter.

JAPAN AND GENERAL FRANCO

Tokyo, To-day.

Official de jure recognition of General Franco's regime by Japan took place yesterday afternoon at the Foreign Office, when documents were exchanged by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, and the Spanish Nationalist charge d'affaires, Senor del Castillo.

It is stated that Senor del Castillo at the same time handed Mr. Hirota a note from General Franco declaring that the Nationalist Government will adhere to all existing agreements with Japan concluded by former Spanish governments.

The paper "Asahi Shimbun" says that recognition of General Franco by Manchukuo, and vice versa, will be announced on Thursday after completion of the necessary preparations by the Spanish charge d'affaires and the Manchukuo Ambassador in Tokyo.

This official recognition, says the paper, is the result of mediation by Japan and Italy.—Trans-Ocean.

KING'S TOUR OF CORNWALL

London, To-day.

The King's two-day tour of the Duchy of Cornwall began early yesterday morning in heavy rain.

The King had spent the night at Moreton Hampstead, overlooking Dartmoor.

At Princetown, 300 tenants filed past the King as their names were called.

From Princetown, the King drove in a closed car to Tavistock, and then to Launceston, where he received feudal dues from tenants in the form of one hundred shillings in a silver mug and one pound of pepper in a silver platter.

This was his first visit to the Duchy of Cornwall by his Majesty as King.—Reuter.

FRENCH STATE LOAN ISSUE

Paris, To-day.

It is officially confirmed that a new internal state loan will be announced to-day in the form of Treasury Bonds bearing 5 per cent interest and redeemable in three, six and nine years, respectively.

Issue price will be 995 francs per 1,000-franc Bond.

The loan will be in the neighbourhood of 2,000,000,000 francs.—Reuter.

PRINCE BERNHARD COMMUNIQUE

Amsterdam, To-day.

The condition of Prince Bernhard is as satisfactory as possible under the circumstances, says a bulletin issued yesterday.

The wound he suffered in the face as a result of being hurled against the windscreen is now in the process of healing but a long period of complete rest will be necessary before the patient has definitely recovered.—Trans-Ocean.

Picture shows what the extensive timber-yards at Mongkok looked like yesterday morning after they had been swept by a devastating fire. ("Mail" photo).

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S CYNICAL CHINA "REALISM"

Japan Intends To Make Radical Changes On Map

INTERPRETED AS NATURAL COURSE OF HISTORY

Milan, To-day.

In his usual vigorous and outspoken style, Signor Mussolini declared in the leading article in "Popolo d'Italia" yesterday that failure of the Brussels Conference was a source of great satisfaction to him as he had never had any confidence in the effectiveness of the League of Nations.

"Collective action and the principle of collective security have led to collective failure in the Brussels fiasco."

The Duce continued: "The cautious Mr. Norman Davis lost his wind like a fast track athlete when he saw visions of an invitation to London, and first participation of the United States in a European conference for collective action has certainly proved a lamentable failure."

"Mr. Davis perhaps now realises that it is not wise policy to organise conferences, the futility of which is obvious to everybody."

"Following the experience with Italy, nobody dares mention the word sanctions. Mere words can help neither China nor Japan."

"Fundamental knowledge of history, geography and balance of power should be sufficient to convince anyone that the Japanese cannot be restrained."

"INVULNERABLE!"

"Japan is invulnerable and economic measures directed against her are merely harmful to those who introduce them."

"Assistance rendered to China will merely benefit Japan in the end, because the victor will obtain possession of all that was sent to China."

"Only menacing factor for Japan at the present time is Soviet Russia, and Moscow cannot indulge in war without jeopardising her internal situation."

CHANGES ON MAP

"Since collective action has again failed China has no recourse than to approach Japan for conditions of peace, and it is possible that these conditions will not be so severe as is generally supposed."

"That Japan intends to bring about radical changes in the map of the Far East is certain, and anyone who thinks otherwise is doomed to disappointment."

"Many Geneva failures will merely be increased by another case but then this will not be the last."

COURSE OF HISTORY

"It is impossible to turn history from its natural course and injudicious attempts to restrain the normal impulses of the life of nations will not triumph."

"It may not please the benevolent politicians but it is certain that the roar of cannons in the Far East will attract more attention than futile conferences in Geneva or elsewhere."—Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN BID FOR TRADE IN MANCHUKUO

Rome, To-day.

Necessity for increasing Italian exports to Manchukuo is emphasised by "Tribuna" in an article on the economic importance of that country.

The paper points out that whereas Italy imported in 1936 from Manchukuo goods to a total value of approximately 15,000,000 lire, value of her exports to Manchukuo, consisting mainly of textile goods, did not exceed 300,000 lire.—Trans-Ocean.

BUS TRAGEDY

Chan Chin-yun, has reported to the Police that while he was driving bus No. 605 in Tung Lo Wan Road, yesterday, a Chinese, Lau Hing-lan, aged 18, who was carrying two sacks of rice, walked in front of the bus and was knocked down. He was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital but died on the way.

FATAL BLOW

The body of Yang Kwan-chuen, aged 58, was removed to the Public Mortuary late last night. He was killed, it is alleged, as the result of a blow inflicted by an unknown Chinese while he was trying to prevent a quarrel outside No. 104 Johnston Road.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" due on Wednesday next, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Japan at 3 p.m. on the 10th December (Friday).

CRYSTAL PALACE EXHIBITION

London, To-day.
The Crystal Palace, which was destroyed by fire almost a year ago, will again hold an exhibition next year.

The South London Exhibition will be held there in specially built pavilions next March.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL YARNELL LEAVING

Shanghai, To-day.

It is officially stated that Admiral Harry Yarnell will accompany the U.S.S. Augusta when the cruiser sails for Manila on December 14.

The United States flagship is making the trip for her annual overhaul, and it is not known how long she will stay in the Philippines.—Reuter.

BRITAIN AND ITALY

London, To-day.

Replying to a member who asked whether conversations were now taking place between the Italian and British Governments through the British Ambassador in Rome with a view to the improvement of relations between the two countries, the Foreign Secretary replied in the Commons: "I am not, at present, in a position, to make any statement on this subject."—British Wireless.

VALENCIA'S VIEWPOINT ON VOLUNTEERS

London, To-day.

The Spanish Government's reply to the non-intervention committee's enquiry regarding withdrawal of foreign troops and despatch of an international commission to Spain, was received at the Foreign Office yesterday.

It is learned in Spanish circles that the Spanish Government adopts a position favourable to withdrawal of non-Spanish nationals, and is also disposed to accept sending of a commission, but requires elucidation of certain points in the proposals.—Reuter.

The note from the Spanish Government in reply to the resolution of the non-intervention committee will be translated and circulated to the members of the committee.—British Wireless.

FINE GENERALLY

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that the anti-cyclone is regaining intensity, pressure having increased considerably over North China.

A depression remains over the Kurile Islands and another is moving eastward across central Japan. A third depression is situated over the western Carolines.

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ous, sterile, gloomy, endless and shelterless Pacific Ocean—during the 67th and 68th voyages, sailing from Hong Kong to Vancouver and returning from the latter to the former. With the approach of Summer, the weather that was at its hottest, withered all the freshness of youth, and presented various kinds of dreadful, hazardous and irresistible malady to the living animals—male or female, old or young, strong or weak. Overcome by the cruelty of the loathsome, burning and suffocating heat, I unfortunately attained, an accidental and painful sickness in tranquil Manila—a commercial port in the Philippine Islands—and was ultimately forced to put a disinclining cessation into my work, and take profound repose at home.

If you are filled with pleasure to have me as an assistant in your school, I shall in all respects render myself generally useful and shall undoubtedly be able to fulfill the duties which are assigned to me. With great ambition and active ability I make up my mind to obtain an extraordinary, gigantic and unfailing reputation for the advancement of your school, causing it—"one of the most famous English schools in Hong Kong"—a magnificent and lovable island lying at the limited mouth of the restless Pearl River. At the same time I can

furnish you with satisfactory testimonials for my character, as well as can provide you with perfect guarantees for my faithfulness.

I believe that I may have the honour of hearing from you in reply....

Some reflections on reading football notes in the sports columns bewailing the deterioration in sportsmanship:—

I wonder why

It seems so difficult to play This football game from day to day

Without there being an affray? We shake our heads, and sadly say

"I wonder why.....?"

I wonder when

The game will show its nature true

Without one little scrap (or two) Whose happening all our players rue,

All so discreditable, too:

I wonder when.....?

I wonder how

To teach our wilder players sense

To check themselves when a game gets tense

And not to look for an offence Now—or a hundred years from hence!

I wonder how.....?

I wonder who

Will give our referees the tip Sternly to check the littlest slip And use their whistle as whip To castigate bad sportmanship I wonder who.....?

I wonder where

We'll see a game in half this land

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By wretched play, until each band

Against the other bickering stand I wonder where.....!

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REICH COLONIAL DEMANDS

French Ministers Astounded By Extent

LONDON-PARIS AXIS A TERM COME TO STAY

London, To-day.

Yesterday evening's newspapers again carry exhaustive comments on the Franco-British talks in London.

The term "London-Paris axis" seems to have come to stay, and emphasis is laid on the fact that the colonial question, "from a purely theoretical consideration, has become an acute political question."

NARROW ESCAPE FROM BIG ARMS DISASTER

London, To-day.

The War Office announced last night that yesterday afternoon an ignition occurred in a cordite stove at the Royal gunpowder factory at Waltham Abbey, which quickly developed into an explosion which shattered the building.

Precautionary measures adopted, however, prevented communication of the resulting fire to surrounding buildings, and the fire was got under control by the factory fire brigade in a very short time.

There was no loss of life and none was injured.

Employment will not be interfered with.—British Wireless.

EXPRESS LEAP FROM WHITE SLAVER

A lovely French peasant girl escaped from a white slaver's clutches by leaping from the Paris-Marseilles express as it roared into a tunnel.

Although suffering from severe bruises and shock, 17-year-old Paulette Castille staggered to the nearest station.

Paulette left her home to seek work in Marseilles in June, but, unable, to find a job as a waitress, fell into the clutches of a white slaver.

One day he told her he had sold her for £100 to a wealthy dealer in the French Indies.

That night a French boat from Japan put into Marseilles and a young sailor, Lucien Peroux, went ashore, where he met Paulette.

She told him her life's story and he was so touched by it that he spirited her away to Paris, where they were to be married.

A few days ago Paulette was horrified to find that the white slaver had followed her from Marseilles.

He forced her at the revolver point to leave with him.

Shortly after the train had left Paris and just as it was about to roar into a tunnel, Paulette leapt out.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that Lord Halifax came back from Berlin with the list of colonies Germany wanted returned to her in Africa.

"These demands were so extensive that the French Ministers were astounded," says the journal.

The conversations at Berlin and Berchtesgaden had helped to clear the colonial question and also certain popular illusions.

EASIER SITUATION

The paper says the Franco-British talks have made it much easier for Britain to take further steps without arousing suspicion and distrust.

The "Daily Express" says Britain will now get into touch with all Powers interested in the colonial question, including Belgium.

After these exchanges of opinion have taken place, Britain will at once make Germany certain proposals.

DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS

The "Daily Mail" reports in this connection that Britain will then get into touch with Italy in order to settle the Mediterranean question and at the same time to establish the old relations between Britain, France and Italy.

All steps will be taken through diplomatic channels and there is no hint of conferences.—Trans-Ocean.

JEW BRANDED WITH ACID IN UNIVERSITY RAG

Acid was used to brand the mark of the Nazi swastika on the face of Joseph Holzman, nineteen-year-old Jewish undergraduate at Delaware University.

How or where the branding was done is not known, but the university authorities are inquiring into a wild anti-Jewish rag, and three students have been interviewed.

Two other students, although not Jews, were also branded, but the Nazi mark was not used in their cases, and they have been able to leave hospital. Holzman's face was badly mutilated.

FRANCO RECOGNITION DENIAL

Belgrade, To-day.

Reports that the Yugo-Slav Government had recognised General Franco's regime are denied here but it is admitted that negotiations are proceeding to establish a commercial representative in Nationalist Spain.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT'S RETICENCE

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister declined to be drawn further regarding the subject matter of Lord Halifax's conversations with German statesmen when he was closely questioned in the Commons.

He referred his questioners to the statement he made a week ago. The Foreign Secretary also had nothing to add to previous statements made on behalf of this Majesty's Government when he rose to reply to two long questions by the Liberal member, Mr. Mander, on the colonies.—British Wireless.

CAR STOLEN

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JAPAN IN THE MORASS

China will probably take note of the Italian recommendation that she hasten to make peace with Japan while she can still get good terms, but as a further encouragement to sustained resistance, in inverse ratio to the effect intended. Circumstances have rendered suspect the motives of any advice that may be tendered by the Italian Government to the National Government of China, and even if there be political significance in the hint that the terms may be less severe than imagined, the inference remains that Japan is to-day the more anxious of the two parties to bring the conflict to an early conclusion.

For once, fortunately, this is a struggle of endurance in which time is on the side of the weaker nation. It is doubtful whether the Japanese position to dictate terms will ever be stronger than it is to-day. That her resources are subject to strain and that the strain is being felt could not be more clearly demonstrated than by the inability, as far as can be judged, of maintaining full activity on the North China front and the Shanghai front at one and the same time. Were this economically wise or possible, the moral effect of simultaneous sweeping progress would clearly be greater than of any dramatic victory on the Shanghai front while North China rests compulsorily dormant. It is the necessity felt for rushing China into seeking peace while Japan can maintain the outward appearance of braggart conqueror which is controlling Japanese tactics, diverting them from their original purpose of North China

conquest to what is, finally, a side-issue, the capture of Nanking. Japan, in fact, as long as China holds out, promises to get herself more and more deeply in the mire, though it is difficult to believe that short-sightedness has proceeded so far as to give warrant to the incredible rumour that without the knowledge of the local naval authorities, of the Macao authorities or of the Canton Government, an army of 50,000 men has been landed on an island off Toishan, Kwangtung. Japan has her hands sufficiently full to discourage further costly side-shows. Even if she captures Nanking and reaches the Yellow River along its full length, she will still have to fight as though the war had just begun. It must never be forgotten that Japan is not the sole arbiter of the proposition "to fight or not to fight?" If China refuses to sue for peace, carry on Japan must, losing men, spending money and ever more as the operations extend inland from the coast and main bases like Sishui, she will be ever rolling a great stone up the hill.

China's prospects of winning this war rest solely upon her refusal to hear a breath of discouragement, upon giving Japan sufficient rope to defeat herself with her own military victories. The very last occasion which becomes China's moment for consideration of peace is one which derives from Japanese initiative. No one wants the war to continue any longer than is absolutely necessary. Peace is a natural ambition. But not even to serve foreign interests and politics could the Italian recommendation be endorsed. It might carry all the force of logic and it would still be utterly false to China.

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Siaoshan Massacre

The virtual destruction of Siaoshan, across the bay from Hangchow ranks among the most dastardly of the outrages attributed to Japanese airmen. The raid was on a scale unprecedented since the outbreak of hostilities. For hours on end, heavy bombers rained death and destruction on the city, without the slightest pretence of seeking military objective. Hundreds of non-combatants were killed and wounded. The city was ruthlessly devastated. And why? The only reason that can possibly be vouchsafed is that the Japanese were giving a terrible warning of frightfulness for the benefit of Hangchow, a warning that China's famous beauty spot might be treated similarly if the military commander failed to surrender the town without further resistance. It is difficult for normal-minded people to gauge the mentality which gives authority for such shocking outrages. We can only imagine some such reasoning as that the fate of little-known Siaoshan would, because of its sequestered obscurity, pass unobserved, whereas similar savagery at Hangchow would again stir the world. Siaoshan suffered the disaster with which Nanking was threatened until international outcry gave the Japanese military to pause. But we can not believe that its comparative obscurity will permit passive acceptance of the theory that such massacre.

BRIDGES BLOWN UP TO STOP WUHU THREAT

Violent Counter-Attacks In Region Of Kwangteh

HIGHWAYS IMPASSABLE FOR MECHANISED UNITS

FOREIGNERS PREPARE FOR NANKING BATTLE

London, To-day.

The British Consul at Nanking, Mr. Prideaux Brune, and the Military Attache, Colonel Lovat Fraser, are at present remaining in the Embassy at Nanking.

Of twenty-one British subjects who have remained there, some are now being accommodated upon the British gunboat which is standing by, but most are taking shelter on the hulk belonging to the firm of Jardine Matheson.

This hulk is situated about four miles up river from the Nanking Bund. Accommodation on the hulk has also been made available to the German Consul and two members of his staff, together with eleven others who are under the protection of the German Embassy and also to a number of Americans, of whom five are women, and three Dutch nationals.

The Japanese authorities have been informed that the hulk is being used as a place of refuge for British and other foreign nationals and is clearly identifiable. — British Wireless.

COMPLETE TAX REVISION URGED IN U.S.

Chicago, To-day.

Need for general revision of the entire American tax structure was cited by the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel Roper, addressing businessmen here yesterday.

Mr. Roper urged tax revision with a view to simplification of the methods of assessment and the equitable distribution of the burden.

He also expressed confidence that a constructive approach would be found to a solution of the utilities dilemma, and that significant developments were forthcoming.

LABOUR IN MANAGEMENT

Mr. Roper advocated equal responsibility for labour in management, and immediate constructive treatment of the financial problem of the railroads.

He stressed the importance of the reduction of the National Debt, stating his opinion that the ease with which the Budget could be balanced depended on the co-operation of business as much as on Government economies.

MORE BOOMS ALONG YANGTZE

Shanghai, To-day.

Foreign military observers believe that the Japanese will attempt to advance on Nanking by three routes, one along the Shanghai-Nanking Line, the other along the Hangchow-Nanking Road, and the third across the plains from Kwangteh, while gunboats will feel their way slowly up the Yangtze.

Chinese claim the re-capture of Kwangteh yesterday morning after a fierce counter-attack, but this is denied by a Japanese spokesman, who stated that the Chinese troops attempted to counter-attack west of Kwangteh, but were unable to reach the walls of the city.

The Japanese troops from Kiangyin, it is admitted in Japanese circles, are encountering stubborn resistance.

Tanyang, which is the immediate object of the Japanese troops operating on the Nanking-Shanghai Line, was heavily bombed and early this morning.

Meanwhile the Japanese forces from Kashing are reported to have met with little success in their general offensive towards Hangchow.

From Nanking, comes a report that the defence lines 15 miles east of the Capital, have been completed. Fresh crack troops have arrived from the south. — Our Own Correspondent.

CHINA MOVES TO STOP WUHU THREAT

Hankow, To-day.

Bitter fighting is expected in the vicinity of Nanking when Japanese forces come within striking distance of the capital.

In an attempt to prevent part of the Japanese armies from reaching Wuhu — an operation which, if successful, would isolate Nanking — the Chinese have blown up bridges between Kwangteh and Wuhu and have rendered highways impassable for mechanised units.

The Chinese have also erected a series of booms across the Yangtze between Wuhu and Chinkiang.

In spite of reports to the contrary, General Chiang Kai-shek is still in Nanking, from where he yesterday talked by telephone with high Chinese officials in Hankow. — Reuter.

tion of business as much as on Government economies.

Mr. Roper added that the Government might be forced to emphasise direct relief with a view to coping with unemployment this winter. — Reuter.

HUGE FIRES STARTED IN CANTON RAID

Canton, To-day.

A huge fire is raging in the country outside Canton near the aerodrome following an air raid by a number of Japanese planes this morning.

The alarm was given at 8.50, and shortly afterwards the raiders, flying exceptionally high, dropped about ten bombs in the vicinity of the airfield north of the city.

A foreigner from Tungshan telephoned Reuter that he had clearly heard the machines going into power dives and then the resulting bomb explosions, but he did not see the actual machines.

HUGE FIRE

He added that a huge fire is at present raging near the airfield. Chinese anti-aircraft guns went into action, and the bursting of their shells high in the sky was clearly seen and heard from Shamoon. — Reuter.

LOOPING ATTACKED

Canton, To-day.

It is now learned that eight Japanese planes participated in this morning's raid.

The planes dropped four bombs on the Canton-Kowloon Railway between kilometre 112 and 114, without, however, damaging the line.

They also visited Canton city and it is believed the objective was the loopline connecting the Canton-Kowloon Railway with the Hankow line.

This is situated close to the airfield near where bombs fell.

It is understood the raiders later continued their way up the Canton-Hankow line. — Reuter.

inforce the defences along the coast. No clash has yet occurred.

A sensational report from Hong Kong stating that 50,000 troops from Japanese warships were being landed is officially denied here, officials ridiculing the report as fantasy. — Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE CENSORSHIP IN SHANGHAI

London, To-day.

Information in his possession did not indicate that the Japanese authorities were censoring or claiming to censor messages from Britain to British newspapers in Shanghai. So declared the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in answer to a question by Mr. V. McEntee (Labour, West Walthamstow).

Replying to a question by Mr. Marsdon, based on assumption that the Japanese had seized the Chinese Post Office in Shanghai, Mr. Eden said that as far as he was aware it had not been seized. — Reuter.

THE SITUATION IN TOISHAN

Canton, To-day.

Mr. Y. C. Tam, District Magistrate of Toishan District, telegraphed the Canton authorities once again yesterday, requesting troops to re-

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Equality For All Religions In Germany

Berlin, To-day.

THE aim of Nazi ecclesiastical policy is absolute equality of all religious bodies, declared the Minister for Church Affairs, Herr Kerrl, in a speech in Westphalia yesterday.

If religious communities in Germany were in future to be rendered dependent on financial sacrifices of their members, this was not to be understood as implying sudden withdrawal of the large subsidies now given them by the State but only as the ultimate aim of a slow and steady development.

Dealing with sentences passed on teachings of Nazism are not in contradiction with the words of Christ priests, 176 lay brothers and sisters as recorded in the Gospels.—Trans-Ocean.

and 21 persons in the employment of the Catholic Church had so far been convicted, while the trial was still pending of 93 priests, 744 lay brothers and sisters, and 118 employees.

Twenty-nine priests, 127 lay brothers and sisters and 32 employees had been acquitted.

The Minister concluded by saying: "It is not for me to give an opinion in dogmatic matters but the

CHESS TITLE

Rotterdam, To-day.

The twenty-third game in the world chess championship was drawn after fifty moves.

Dr. Alekhine now leads Dr. Euwe

by 13½ points to 9½, and needs only two more points to regain the title.—Reuter.

Top left.

The boys of Belmont Preparatory School, Hassocks, Sussex, are taught archery. The average age of the boys is twelve years and they are keen on this sport of medieval times. Mr. M. Burr, their headmaster, is shown teaching them. (Fox Copyright).

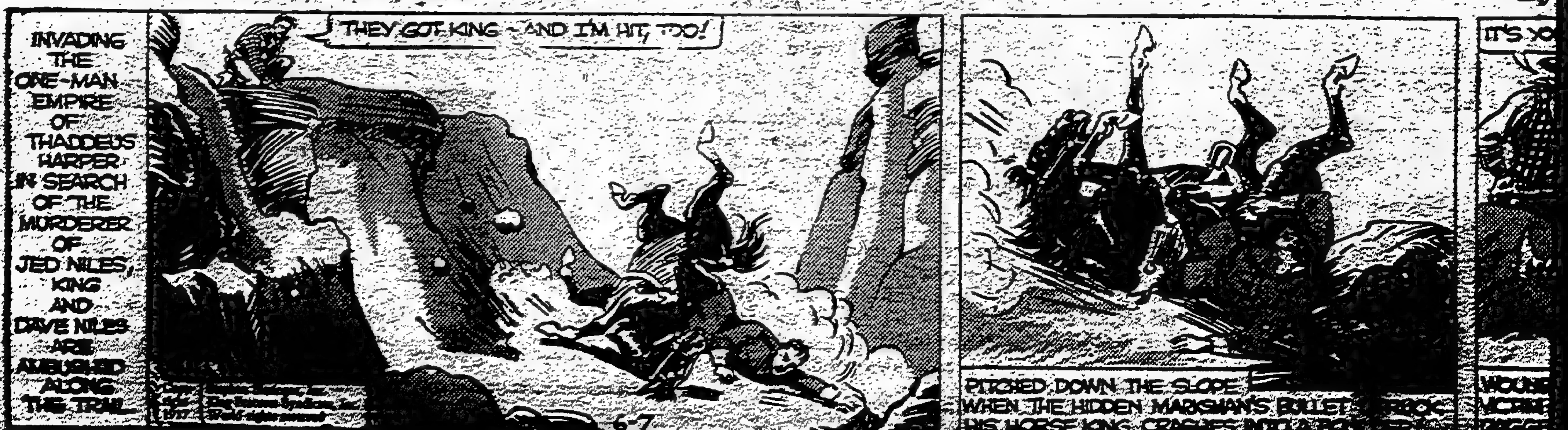
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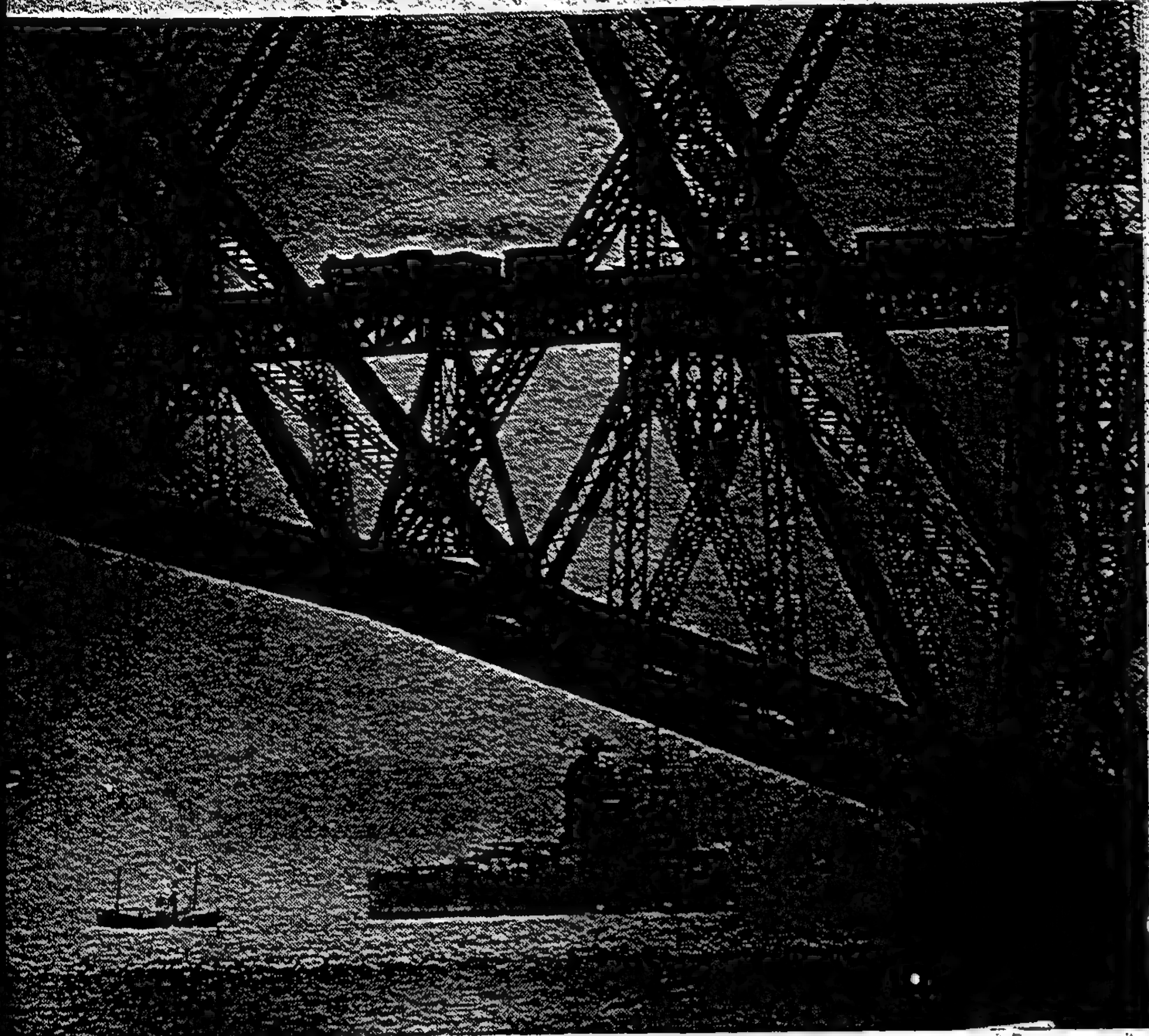
M. Albert Lebrun, President of France, opened the new Le Bourget Airport near Paris on November 12. The new station which will be the finest in the world, is built on the style of a liner, with decks and rails facing the flying field. The frontage measures over 700 feet, and has a depth of 100 feet. In the centre is a conning tower of glass which will control the movements of aircraft by means of radio. Inside the spacious main hall is a post office, and offices of various companies operating the air line. On the upper and lower floors there are lounges and restaurants, customs and police office. At the entrance is a large facade on which is carved the coat-of-arms of all the Capitals of the World. Photo shows—Workmen fixing the cockade of the air on the facade. (Fox Copyright: By Air Mail).

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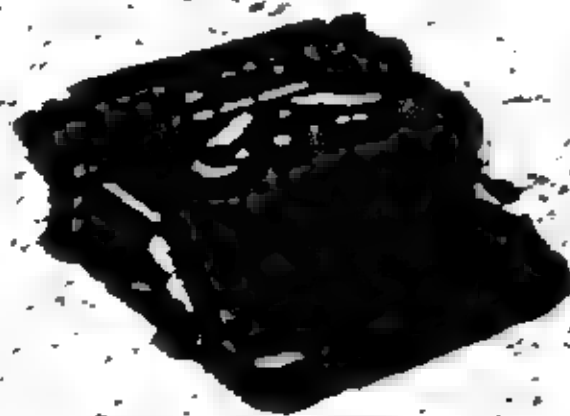


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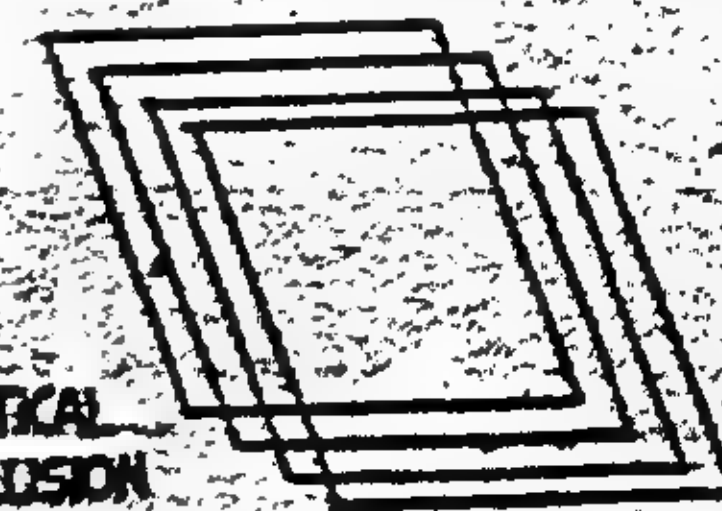


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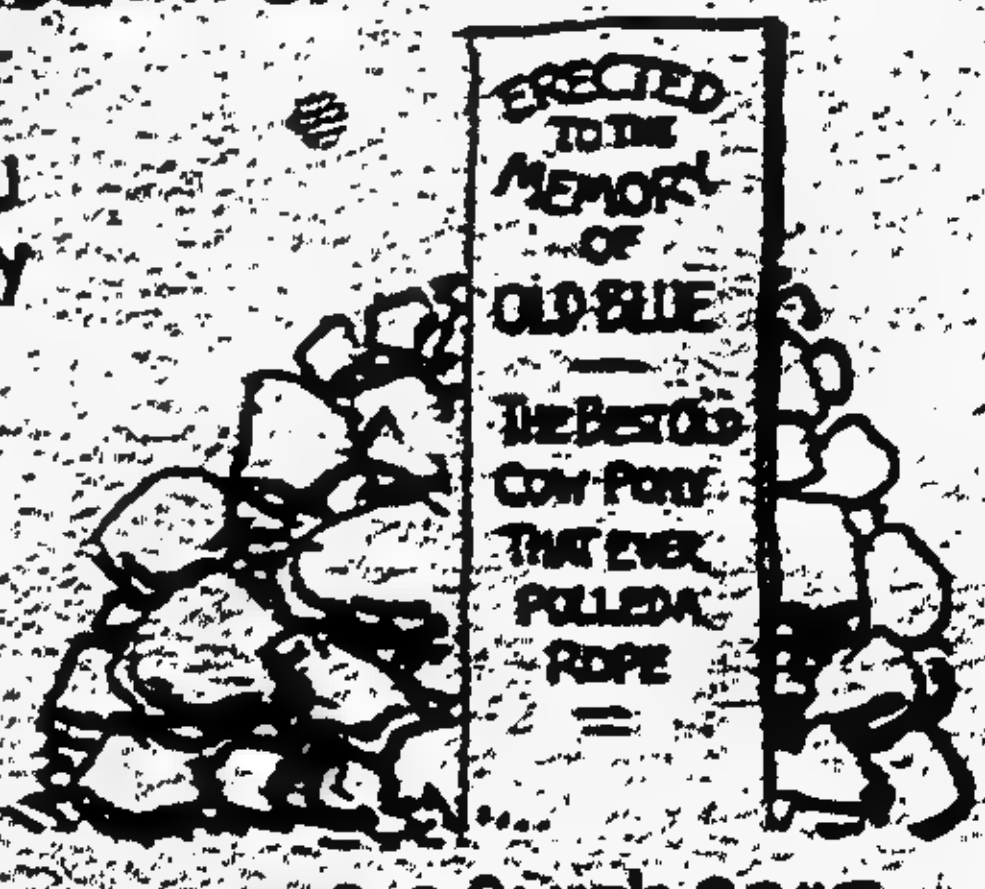
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Friday		
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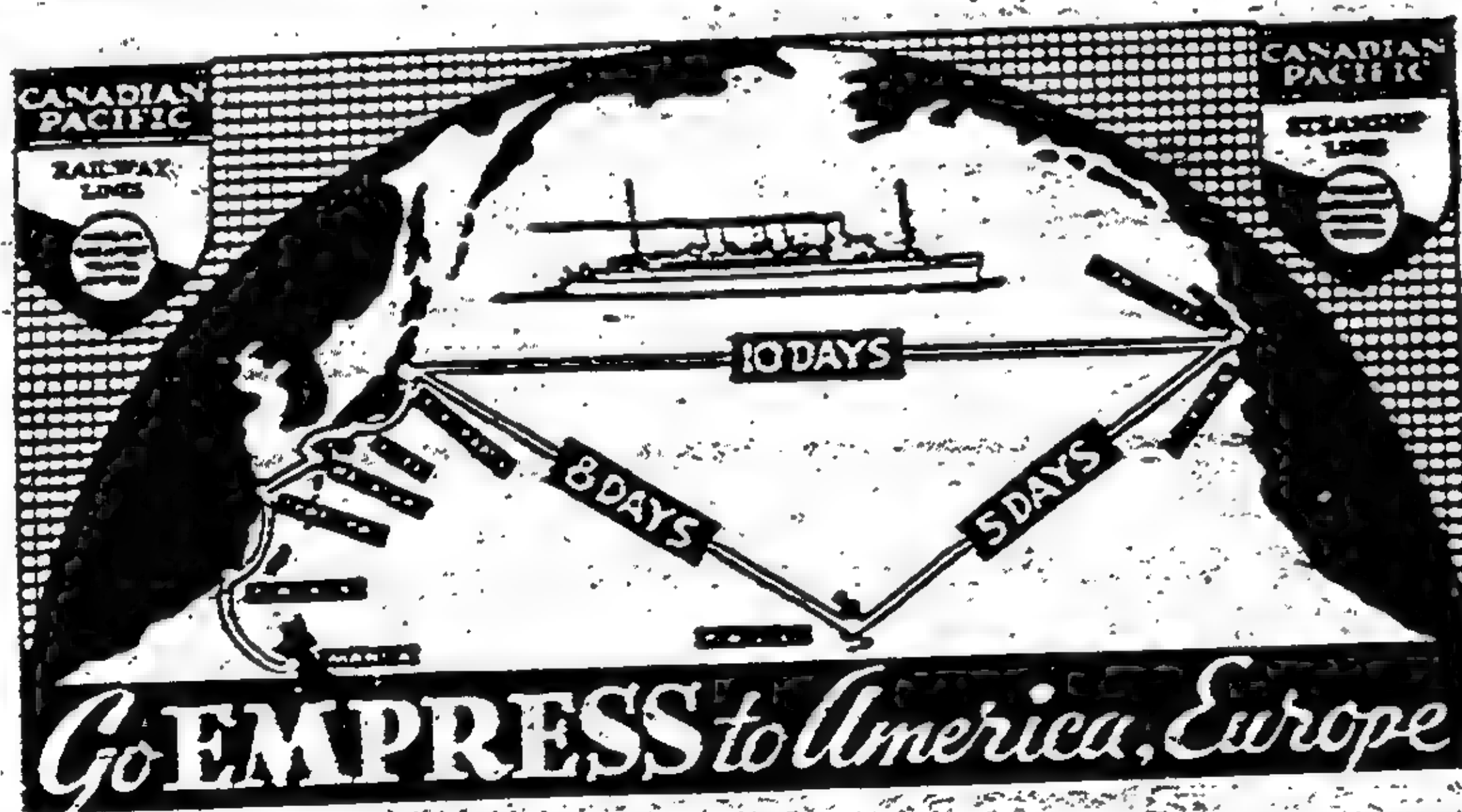
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Inspector W. Mair for courage and zealous duty in securing the evacuation of persons endangered by fire at No. 131-137 Connaught Road West, and in rendering valuable help to the Fire Brigade throughout the fire and storm.

Sub-Inspector W. H. Nolloth, for courage and zealous duty in securing the evacuation of persons endangered by the fire at Nos. 131-137, Connaught Road West and in rendering valuable help to the Fire Brigade throughout the fire and storm.

Sub-Inspector S. G. Smith, for zeal and initiative displayed in arranging for the burial at Sha Tan Kok of corpses of persons killed or drowned in the typhoon. Also for initiative in arranging for supplies of food.

Sub-Inspector R. G. Butcher, for initiative and devotion to duty in handling No. 5 launch when she dragged her moorings during the typhoon.

Lance Sergeant A. 125 Clark for zeal and devotion to duty in assisting in the burial at Tai Po of corpses of persons killed or drowned in the typhoon.

Lance Sergeant A. 60 Harris, for courage and devotion to duty in rescuing persons buried by a collapse at No. 47 Second Street.

Lance Sergeant A. 147 Pope, for courage and devotion to duty in rescuing persons buried by a collapse at No. 47 Second Street.

Lance Sergeant A. 64 Rose, for initiative and plucky devotion to duty in handling No. 6 launch when swept away during the typhoon.

Lance Sergeant A. 113 Mackenzie, for zealous performance of duty and resource in handling No. 9 launch when swept adrift during the typhoon.

Lance Sergeant A. 1 Manning, for zealous and plucky assistance rendered to the Officer in Charge of No. 3 launch when the launch was rendered temporarily out of control during the typhoon.

P.C.D. 259 Ku Yan Chi, for courage and devotion to duty in securing the safety of passengers in the s.s. "Kwangchow" wrecked in the typhoon.

Coxswain W. 107 In Shing, for courage and resource in handling No. 7 launch when swept adrift during the typhoon.

The following officers have also received mention for work done during the typhoon.

Sub-Inspector R. F. Oliver and Sergeant Innes for zeal and devotion to duty in contributing to the rescue of passengers from the s.s. "Kwangchow" which was wrecked.

Sergeant Hill for initiative and zealous performance of duty in organising burial at Sai Kung of corpses of persons killed and drowned during the typhoon.

Sergeants Allen and Michie and Police Constables Gunning, Willis and Mayor for zealous and plucky performance of duty at the scene of the fire at No. 131-137 Connaught Road West.

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FUTURE OF FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW

\$500,000 "Kim" Film

The affairs of Freddie Bartholomew, the British boy film star, have again been in court. Mr. Louis Mayer, of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, testified in the suit demanding a permanent injunction to prevent Freddie from breaking his Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer contract.

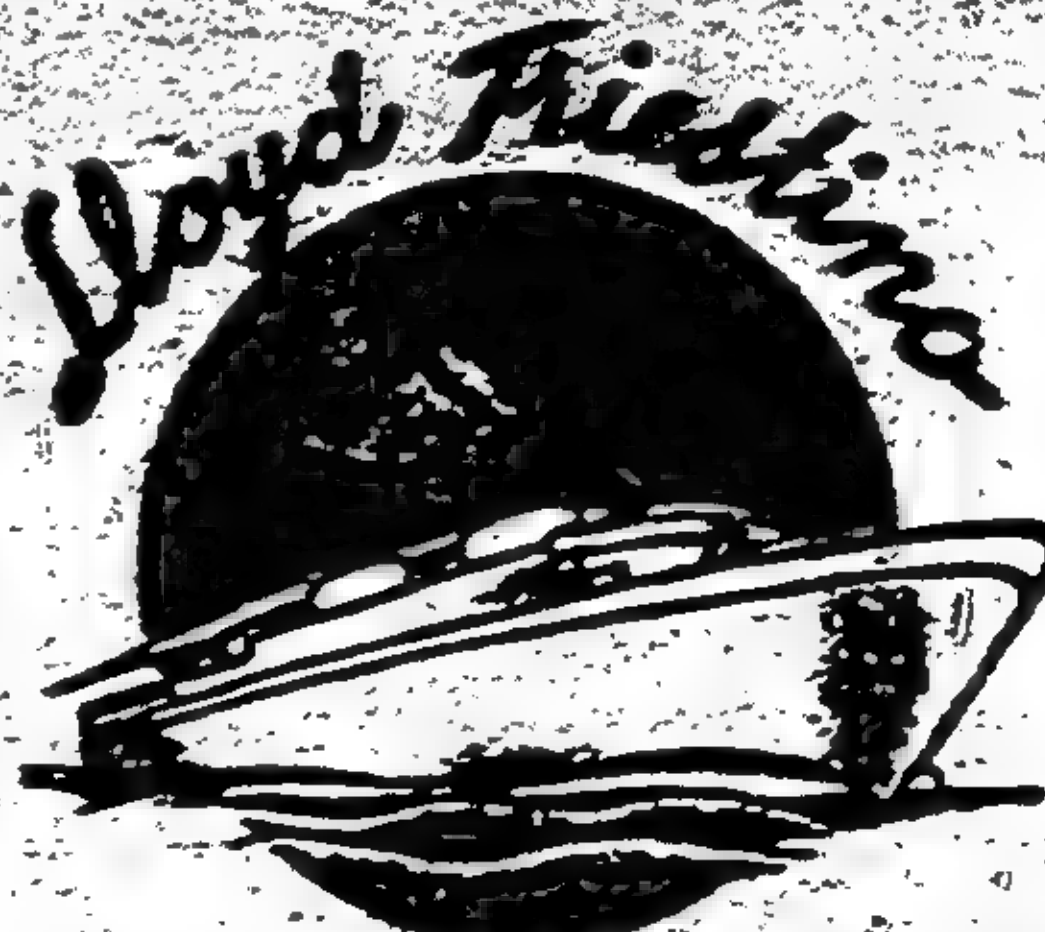
Mr. Mayer said the studio was planning to spend half a million sterling on a film of Kipling's "Kim," with Freddie and Robert Taylor.

Freddie Bartholomew's attorney, Mr. William Nebbett, attempted to establish his client as the biggest box office draw, but Mr. Mayer denied this, stating that Freddie's last starring film, "Captains Courageous," earned far less than such pictures as "Good Earth" and "The Thin Man" and "May Time."

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Jan/March	25 b. down 1/4
April/June	25 3/4 b. down 1/4
July/Sept.	25 3/4 b. down 1/4
Market:	Erratic



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BIG MACAO ANNIVERSARY DISPLAY

Macao, To-day.

Portugal and her colonies yesterday celebrated the anniversary of the re-establishment of independence in the country's rule in 1640 when, after sixty years of Spanish domination, the Portuguese people threw off the Castille yoke.

On that eventful day of 1640, forty nobles, sure of the support of the people, decided that the hour had come to strike for the country's independence. As nine o'clock struck that morning the conspirator nobles, led by Miguel de Vasconcellos, forced their way into the palace of Philip IV of Spain and proclaimed the King, John IV, Duke of Braganza.

In Macao, this celebration took the form of a parade of the Colony's armed forces in the presence of H. E. the Governor of Macao, Dr. A. Tamagnini Barbosa, and other prominent officials, which included Maj. L. Pinto Lello (Chief of Staff), Comm. L. Rebelo (of the cruiser "Bartholomeu Dias"), Comm. Owen Pinto (of the cruiser "Goncalo Velho"), Dr. Carlos Sampiao (Colonial Secretary), Comm. S. Vieira (Harbour Master), Mr. F. J. Gellion (Vice-Consul for Great Britain), Lt. Comm. McCarthy (H.M.S. "Seamew"), and others.

Considered to be the biggest assembly of troops in Macao since 1900, the Colony's armed forces paraded on the Hockey Ground under Lt. Col. J. Vieira and, following an inspection by H. E. the Governor, shortly before noon saluted the National Flag to the accompaniment of a salvo of twenty-one guns from field-pieces positioned near the Artillery Barracks.

NEW COLOURS

An impressive ceremony followed this when H. E. Dr. Tamagnini Barbosa presented the Machine Gun Section with their new colours, which was handed over to Capt. C. Alves, the commanding officer of the Section.

H. E. the Governor, attended by all Naval, Military and Civil officials, then reviewed a march past of the troops from a platform before the Leal Senado building. The parade marched past in the following order:—Mechanised Units (Police Corps), Navy, Artillery, Machine Gunners, Company of Marksmen, Mozambique Troops, Mixed Battery Company, Water Police Corps.

H. E. Dr. Tamagnini Barbosa was host later at a tiffin given in Government House to Lt. Comm. McCarthy of the H.M.S. "Seamew." Among those present were Mr. F. J. Gellion (Vice-Consul for Great Britain) and Mrs. Gellion, Comm. S. Vieira (Harbour Master) and Mrs. Vieira, Lt. Col. J. Vieira (Chief of Cabinet) and Mrs. Vieira, and Lt. R. Abreu (A.D.C.) and Mrs. Abreu. —Our Own Correspondent.

NAVY AND HAIFA

London, To-day.

The Admiralty are not contemplating any extension to the port of Haifa, the First Lord told the Commons when asked to take steps to extend it to suit the needs of the navy in the Mediterranean. —British Wireless.

HITCH IN PLAN FOR HONG KONG AIR ROUTE

Imperial Airways regrets to announce that owing to a diplomatic hitch, the recently published change of route Hong Kong/Penang to Hong Kong/Bangkok, which was to take place as and from December 5th, has been unavoidably postponed until further notice.

The service will therefore continue to operate via Tourane and Saigon following the present timetable except that it has been found possible to retard the departure from Hong Kong to 10 o'clock local time each Saturday, reaching Penang the following day. In the reverse direction the service will continue to leave Penang on Mondays, arriving Hong Kong at 5 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon.

This will of course cause an alteration in the mailing time, notices of which will be published immediately by the General Post Office.

BRITAIN'S FIRST OIL 'LIFE-LINE'

A pipeline from London to Birmingham will safeguard Britain's oil supply in event of war.

It will be connected at intervals with secret storage tanks.

It is proposed to lay the pipeline, which connects these two important oil-consuming centres in Britain, along the route of the Grand Junction Canal.

The storage tanks which will take their supply from the pipe will be closely concealed and camouflaged from possible air attack.

FOR INDUSTRIAL AREAS

Mr. Wilfred Gooday, the consulting engineer who was given the exclusive rights by the Grand Union Canal Company to draw up the proposal, said that the scheme is now being considered seriously by all major oil companies.

It is proposed to build three pipes of welded steel, capable of a flow of 1,500 tons of oil per day.

"These will be buried about three feet underground, at about six feet from the water's edge.

"The national importance of such a scheme cannot be underestimated."

The pipe line would serve such industrial areas as Coventry, Northampton, Slough and Brentford.

NANTAO BOOM

Shanghai, To-day.

A Japanese salvage firm has started work on demolishing the Nantao boom across the Whangpoo.

Japanese divers conducted observations yesterday, after which a depth charge was fired. —Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1 1/2-%.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-11/16 and "forward" at 19-9/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £-US\$4.9860 and the New York on London rate at £-US\$4.99.

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KO'S DELAY ALMOST COSTS MATCH

ARMY HOLD SUCCESSFUL FOOTBALL TRIAL GAME

DUFFIELD AND IZZARD SHINE

WEALTH OF TALENT

(By "UBIQUE")

The Army soccer trial at Soekumpoo, yesterday in preparation for the Kotewall Charity Cup Competition next Sunday, did not assist the selectors to any great extent, and apart from the revelation of the standard of several junior players including K. Duffield and Calvert, little was gained by the trial, while the absence of Courtney and Freshwater, both of the Middlesex, owing to duty, was a source of disappointment to the committee as both stood a good chance of inclusion in the Army team.

As was natural in a game of this nature there was no semblance of combination throughout, though there were spasms of sound individual play by both sides.

Rowlands is undoubtedly the obvious choice for the goal as Banfield, in the opposite goal, did not impress.

Bright, the Middlesex player, was outstanding of the two intermediate lines, his quick tackling saving his team on many occasions, but his distribution weakened in the second period.

Webster and Tudor, the Reds' backs, defended well, but the latter started very shakily and was often beaten by Adams and Duffield and Whites' left-wing combination. In the second period, however, Tudor improved immensely, and when Webster left the field, was prominent with some good clearances.

IZZARD SHINES

In the forward line, Izzard gave a good account of himself, on Whites' left-wing. He scored a good goal and was always up for a pass. His centring was good and though he was not seen in the inside-position, he would probably do well there as he has that dash so necessary for an inside-forward.

Calvert, a newcomer, at inside right, for the Reds, showed great promise and with more experience of the ground should do well here. He has a good shot and always attempted a shot at goal.

DUFFIELD FAST

S. Duffield, on the left wing, displayed a fine turn of speed, and his centring was good. With McGuigan, he was the source of most danger to the Whites in the closing period of the game.

Evans, and McGuigan played their usual game and should certainly obtain places in the Army side, while Saw Izzard and McCusker should also secure attention.

The Whites in the first half lead by three clear goals scored by Dunnachie, and Izzard (2), but in the second half the Reds reduced the lead through Pearson and Duffield.

On the form of the players yesterday, and not taking into consideration the claims of any absentees, the Army team should be as follows:—

ARMY TEAM FOR KOTEWALL CUP

Team Selected For Sunday's Game

The following have been chosen to represent the Army against South China in the first game of the Kotewall Charity Cup competition on Sunday at Causeway Bay.

Rowlands (Fusiliers); Webster (Seaforths) and Sheehan (Middlesex); McCusker (Seaforths); Bright (Middlesex) and Evans (Fusiliers); Pearson (Middlesex); Watson (Middlesex); Izzard (Middlesex); McGuigan (Seaforths) and Thompson (Seaforths).

Reserves:—Tudor (Engineers); Vale (Fusiliers); Calvert (5th Bde. Royal Artillery) and K. Duffield (Ordnance).

F.A. CUP 1ST ROUND REPLAYS

Bradford City Overwhelm Walker Celtic

London, To-day.

Several relays in the First Round of the F.A. Cup competition were held yesterday, Bradford City trouncing Walker Celtic by 11 goals to 3 at home after sharing 2 goals in last Saturday's encounter, while Port Vale, who were held to a draw of one goal each by Gainsborough last Saturday, were yesterday beaten by the odd goal in three, after extra time.

Accrington, who were held to a draw of one goal each by Lancaster Town in a home match last Saturday, again forced a draw yesterday when the teams shared two goals after extra time. This will require a second replay.

Dartford were unable to hold Bournemouth's forwards in yesterday's replay after sharing a goalless draw on Saturday and succumbed to a 6 goals defeat on their home ground.

Yesterday's results were:

Lancaster	1	Accrington	1
Dartford	0	Bournemouth	6
Gainsborough	2	Port Vale	1
Bradford City	11	Walker Celtic	3
Halifax	0	York	1
Lincoln	2	Richdale	0

—Reuter.

The following is the revised draw for the Second Round of the F.A. Cup Competition which will be played on Saturday, December 11:

Scarborough v. Bromley.	
Wrexham v. Bradford City.	
Cardiff v. Bristol City.	
Rotherham v. Aldershot.	
Doncaster v. Guildford.	
Clapton O. v. York.	
Yeovil and Petters v. Gainsborough Trinity.	
Exeter v. Hull.	
South Liverpool v. Brighton.	
Kidderminster or Newport v. Bournemouth.	
Tranmere v. Hartlepool.	
Mansfield v. Lincoln.	
Accrington or Lancaster v. Crystal Palace or Kettering.	
Crewe v. New Brighton.	
Watford v. Walsall.	
Walthamstow Avenue v. Southend.	
Swindon v. Queen's Park Rangers.	

—Reuter.

Rowlands: Webster and Sheehan; McCusker, Bright and Evans; Adams, McGuigan or Saw, Pearson, Saw or McGuigan and Izzard.

Reds:—Rowlands; Webster and Tudor; Bright and Evans; Ayres, Calvert, Pearson, McGuigan and S. Duffield.

Whites:—Banfield; Watson and Sheehan; Vale, McCusker and Dewell; Adams, Duffield, Dunnachie, Saw and Izzard.

KOWLOON TONG SCORE EXCELLENT WIN

LIANG AND CHOY BEST HOME PAIR

ROZA AND LO DO WELL

(By "ADREM")

KOWLOON TONG CLUB last night were responsible for their best performance in the Junior Badminton League this season when, at Causeway Bay, they beat the Chinese Recreation Club by the odd set.

ALTHOUGH THEY STARTED OFF VERY WELL, HELD A LEAD OF 3 GAMES TO NIL, THE WINNERS WERE AT ONE STAGE, IN RATHER A PRECARIOUS POSITION OWING TO THE FACT, THAT F. S. KO, ORDINARILY ONE OF THEIR BEST PLAYERS, HAD BEEN DETAINED AT FANLING AND DID NOT ARRIVE UNTIL BOTH THE OTHER PAIRS HAD COMPLETED THEIR SECOND GAME.

Under the circumstances, it was extremely sporting of the C.R.C. to have allowed their visitors the concession of playing off out of sequence and in fitting in the games subsequent to Ko's arrival, to the convenience of both sides.

As it happened, Kowloon Tong were pulled back from their early lead and C. R. C. drew level at 2-2 all, mainly because, Ko and R. E. Lee, acknowledged as their leading combination, failed to find their touch and were completely overwhelmed in their first two encounters.

THIRD WIN

Mackay and Chan then completed their programme with their third win of the evening to more or less clinch the issue for the visitors but even then, the excitement was far from over.

Ko and Lee, playing their last game against P. C. Leung and C. F. Chin, at last found their touch but, after taking an apparently unsailable lead of 15-6, their opponents pluckily recovering everything, overhauled them with grim determination and with all pointing to the biggest sensation of the evening, the Kowloon Tong pair solidified their advantage and after struggling through several changes of service with their score at 20, clinched the issue to save their supporters further heart attacks.

BEST HOME PAIRING

S. W. Liang and P. F. Choy proved themselves to be the best home pairing and after a tentative start, played very well indeed. They were, perhaps, a trifle unfortunate in not winning all their games, as against Mackay and Chan, after trailing at the change-over by 4-11, they staged a remarkable recovery, levelled at 16, only to lose eventually by 21-19.

Liang, an extremely experienced performer, played a "canny" game and often caught the opposition napping with his interceptions at the net which he invariably tucked away for winners.

COVERED COURT WELL

C. Y. Yung and Y. W. Lee were very much better than their two defeats indicate. Both were very

SURREY COVERED COURT CHAMPIONSHIPS

London, October 22.

There were two surprise results in the Surrey covered court championships at the Covered Courts Club, Dulwich, yesterday. One was the victory in the men's singles of D. J. Cook over R. J. Ritchie by 6-2, 6-4, and the other, the defeat in the third round of the women's doubles of Fraulein I. Rost and Miss B. Nuthall by Miss P. N. Morison and Miss M. Stewart, 6-1, 10-8.

The best match was that in which the holder, F. H. D. Wilde beat D. W. Butler by 1-6, 6-1, 6-3. Wilde was not in his stride in the first set but, afterwards, he reached his best form, strong volleying being an outstanding feature of his game. He will oppose for a place in the final the young Kent player, R. A. Shaves, who survived a marathon affair with the Chinese, W. C. Choy, by 4-6, 12-10, 7-5.

active, in covering court and hit very hard throughout.

For Kowloon Tong, Roza and Lo, playing together, for the first time, showed promise. The former, with his wide repertoire of strokes, kept the C.R.C. pairings continually on the move while Lo, when he has had more experience and learned more about the finer points of courtcraft, should develop into a very fine player.

Ko, who had rushed onto the court without the advantage of a preliminary knock-up, was right off form, as was Lee, who had sat around for the greater part of the evening waiting his arrival. Both improved considerably in their last game and deserve full marks for their victory, which gave their team the match.

P. C. Leung and C. F. Chin (C.R.C.) lost to N. A. E. Mackay and A. Chan 16-21
lost to R. E. Lee and F. S. Ko 15-21
beat A. W. da Roza and Peter Lo 21-17

C. Y. Yung and Y. W. Lee (C.R.C.) lost to Mackay and Chan 15-21
beat Lee and Ko 21-2
lost to Roza and Lo 12-21

S. W. Liang and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.) lost to Mackay and Chan 19-21
beat Lee and Ko 21-7
beat Roza and Lo 21-17

SCOTTISH CLUB RUGBY CLASSIC

WATSONIAN PACK TROUNCED

BROTHERS SHAW PAVE WAY FOR GLASGOW HIGH SCHOOL (F.P.) VICTORY

"A LOVELY DROPPED-GOAL"

(By AIR MAIL)

Edinburgh, November 13.

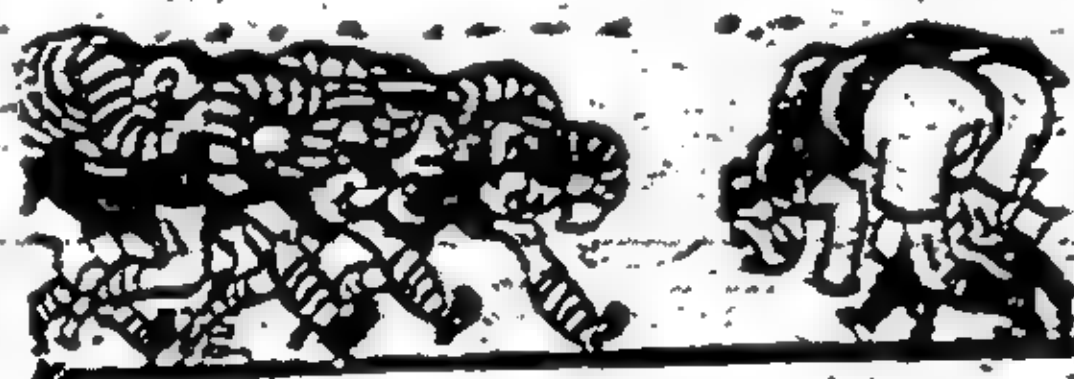
THOSE who thought at the beginning of the season that there was every possibility of Watsonians again emerging champion club will have to revise their opinion to some extent. The Myreside men were beaten for the second time in three Saturdays on their own ground, and though Glasgow High School won by but a single point—a dropped goal, a penalty goal, and a try to a penalty goal and two tries—they were the better side.

Watsonians were without A. S. B. McNeil and S. G. A. Harper, who are both on the injured list, and in their absence the Myreside pack took a trouncing from the Glasgow eight, who heeled the ball in scrum after scrum, and provided chances which the brothers R. W. and Ian Shaw were not slow to take advantage of.

The internationalist pair struck by far their best form of the season so far, and Ian's dropped goal came after a perfect bit of workmanship by his brother. The Glasgow supremacy began forward, continued at half-back, where K. S. H. Wilson was too well watched by their wing forwards to be dangerous, and went on right through the team.

For Watsonians, even the advent of G. Roberts at stand-off half made no difference. E. C. Hunter tried hard, and had one fine score, but he could not make very much of Ian Shaw's rock-solid defence.

Outside to Hunter, R. H. Dryden was completely held in check by the diminutive but plucky D. J. H. Neil, who, in addition, gave the interna-



tionalist the slip several times during the game.

DELIGHTFUL TO WATCH

It was a delightful game to watch, fast and open, and there were any amount of thrills in the second half when the lead changed hands four times. Glasgow High School opened the scoring when Ian McKay went in, following a forward rush, and their forwards controlled the game for nearly half an hour.

Eventually Watsonians did get going, however, and R. M. Donaldson put the sides on level terms with a well-taken try. With the start of the second half the fireworks began, Hunter taking a pass from T. C. Brown, and cutting clean through the Glasgow defence for a fine try.

BRILLIANT MOVE

Glasgow were back at the attack inside a couple of minutes, however, and R. W. Shaw made as though to go through. With the defence drawn towards him, however, he swivelled round, and passed back to his brother, who dropped a lovely goal.

The Watsonian reply to that came when A. Reid kicked a goal from a penalty right in front of the Glasgow posts, but before the end Watsonians were penalised, and Ian Shaw applied the finishing blow with a fine drop kick.

RADIO S.C. OVERWHELM SEAFORTHS

7-0 Victory In United Tourney

Fast play was seen in the United Hockey tournament game at Sookun-poo yesterday when Radio Sports Club beat the Seaforth Highlanders by seven goals to nil.

The Seaforths' poor showing was due to a weakened team, as five of their regular players were missing, two being injured in the game against the Police on Tuesday.

The Radio forwards were in splendid form, G. Singh (3) and Tirlak Singh (4) netting for the winners.

The Committee of the Ladies' Recreation Club will be "At Home" to members and their friends at the Club ground, Peak Road, on Saturday, December 11. The Final of the Ladies' Singles Club Championship will be played. An American Tournament (Mixed Doubles, semi-open) will be held, commencing at 2 p.m.

The Portobello Swimming Club are to lose Margaret Shepherd who has secured a post outside Edinburgh. She twice won the E.C.A.S.A. 50 and 100 yards titles and captained the seaforths' team that broke and still hold the Scottish 250 yards record.

A. E. Fiddes, the ex-Hawick stand-off half, now of Huddersfield, has been chosen to play at centre three-quarter in the British Empire Rugby League team against France in Paris.



Primo Carnera, above, former world heavyweight boxing champion, made an unsuccessful comeback in two years, at Paris.

AUTUMN RACE MEETING IN SHANGHAI

Second Day's Results

Shanghai, To-day.

The following are the results of the second day's races, of the Shanghai Race Club's Autumn Meeting, which were held yesterday:

The Hangchow Plate—7 Furlongs
1. R. D. Parkins' Pageant Morn (Mr. Pote-Hunt).
2. Inverkeithing's Royal Scot (Mr. F. Marshall).
3. Lal Divy's Lal Bagh (Mr. Brand).
Time—3.05.8.

The Scurry Plate—7 Furlongs
1. E. M. H.'s Going Haywire (Mr. Keep).
2. Busted's Busted Straight (Mr. Pote-Hunt).
3. D. J. S.'s Cherry Bay (Mr. Jack).
Time—1.51.8.

The Northern Stakes ½ Miles
1. Morn's New Deal Morn (Mr. Marshall).
2. Cires Frosty Light (Mr. R. B. Moller).
3. C. C. Shaw's Fairy Jackdaw (Mr. Sung).
Time—1.32.6.

The Mongolian Cup—1 Mile
1. The Farmers' Sapristi (Mr. Maitland).
2. G. J. Mary's Ununun (Mr. L. Wade).
3. H. M. Hind's Experience (Mr. Pote-Hunt).
Time—2.11.6.



The Siccawei Stakes—1½ Miles
1. Morn's Naming Morn (Mr. Marshall).
2. Henry White's Wet Morn (Mr. C. G. Jack).
3. Manx's Mountainhua (Mr. Encarnacao).
Time—2.40.0.

The St. Leger—1½ Miles
1. D. J. S.'s Water Loobey (Mr. C. G. Jack).
2. Morn's Carnation Morn (Mr. Pote-Hunt).
3. Mr. Morn's Vintage Morn (Mr. Marshall).
Time—3.55.0.

The Loonghwa Stakes—1 Mile
1. A. V. White's White Major (Mr. A. A. White).
2. Slack's Sundridge Park (Mr. Striker).
3. E. M. H.'s Going Slow (Mr. Keep).
Time—2.09.8.

"A" Loonghwa Stakes—1 Mile
Ment's Dictatorship (Mr. Tu) (disqualified).
1. Hawk's Smart Morn (Mr. Pote-Hunt).
2. Hard's Zamberfels (Mr. Kew).
3. Morning's Morning Glory (Mr. Cumine).
Time—2.09.2.

—Reuter.

ENGLAND DEFEAT THE CZECHS

GRAND SOCCER ON 'SPURS' GROUND

CONTINENTALS WERE UNLUCKY TO LOSE

London, To-day.

Leading by 3 goals to 2 at the interval, England, were extremely lucky to secure a 5 goals to 4 victory over Czechoslovakia in their International football classic on the 'Spurs' ground yesterday.

The weather was cold and dismal, and the ground extremely unplayable in parts, but the Czechs adapted themselves to the prevailing conditions in an admirable manner, dominating the second half exchanges when they should have ultimately shared the spoils.

Commencing in fine style before a fairly large gathering of nearly 50,000 spectators, the Czechs soon had their hosts in difficulties, but a fine attacking movement saw Cravston break through the centre to place England in the lead with a terrific grounder in the far corner of the net.

CZECHS EQUALISE

Undismayed, the Continental team fought back doggedly and amidst great excitement. Puch equalised with a grand shot after rounding off a perfect attacking movement.

Play was very fast despite the conditions and spectators marvelled at the manner in which the Czechs stood up to their opponents in conditions, which although not new to them, were nevertheless, cramping their style of short-passing.

England retaliated strongly after the equalising goal, and their forwards were featured in several dazzling movements, two of which culminated in splendid goals for Morton and Matthews.

BRILLIANT GOAL

Just before the interval the Czechs were seen at their best and a concerted movement which started at their 25 yard flag ended with Kolz securing their second goal in brilliant manner.

The weather was colder in the second-half, and the Czech forwards were beginning to feel the strain of a heavy ground-made harder by the speed of the attacking English halves, although their defenders stood up to their task magnificently, but were unable to prevent Matthews breaking through to net England's fourth goal.

Then began a grand major offensive in which the English citadel was stormed time and again, and eventually fell to the marksmanship of Zemenn's and Mejedly, thus levelling the scores. Great excitement featured the concluding minutes and a terrific roar greeted Matthews' "Hat-trick," when he luckily scored off a defender.

The Czechs, although beaten, were by no means disgraced and gave the finest exhibition of any touring Continental team in England.—Trans-Ocean.

WILLIE SMITH'S SNOOKER LEAD OVER LINDRUM

London, October 23. Willie Smith went to a lead of 31-30 over Horace Lindrum in the eleventh session of their Gold Cup snooker match at Thurston's, London, to-day. Smith, receiving 11 points start on each frame, led by 49-30, with the reds cleared, and later took the brown to pink, inclusive, to win the first frame at 64-42. Lindrum won the sixty-second frame at 89-67 and he followed with another win at 85-62, to lead Smith by one frame.

GERMANY'S MAGNIFICENT SOCCER RECORD

Hamburg, November 21. The last international soccer game of the year was played here to-day between Germany and Sweden in front of 55,000 spectators.

The German eleven produced sparkling football, combined with perfect technique, against which the Swedes seemed helpless.

After half-time had come with Germany leading by two goals to nil, the final result was 5-0 in favour of Germany, with Sweden unable to penetrate the German defence once in spite of their heroic and untiring

efforts. Both teams were given a great ovation at the end of the game.

Germany has concluded her international programme for 1937 with this match. Of eleven matches played, Germany won ten while one, against Holland, was a draw.

The total goals scored for and against amounted to 36-5 in favour of Germany. It is no wonder therefore that the Swedish press this evening unanimously stated that the Germans were the best amateur football players in Europe—Trans-Ocean.

AUSTRALIANS BEATEN BY HUDDERSFIELD

London, November 20. In a Rugby League match to-day, Huddersfield defeated the touring Australians by 17 points to 7.

AN OFFER TO HEARTS EX-MANAGER

David Pratt, formerly Heart of Midlothian and Bangor City manager, has received the offer of a two-years' engagement on the Continent.



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Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

THIRD DIVISION NORTH	HOME										AWAY										Goals	Pts.	TL
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Goals	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.								
Gateshead (21) IWwWd	16	8	6	0	2	17	8	14	8	4	2	2	12	11	10	24							
Lincoln (2) dWwDd	16	8	6	1	1	25	5	13	8	3	1	4	10	7	10	23							
Oldham (4) dWdWd	16	8	6	0	2	19	5	14	8	1	3	4	7	8	8	22							
Hull (5) wDdWl	16	7	5	9	2	18	7	12	9	2	3	4	7	11	8	20							
Doncaster (-) WIDdW	16	7	6	0	1	10	7	13	8	2	3	3	8	11	7	20							
Chester (3) dDdLd	16	9	4	1	4	15	12	12	7	2	2	3	5	11	7	19							
Rotherham (17) WIDdW	16	9	5	1	3	17	9	13	7	3	4	0	13	15	6	19							
Tranmere (19) DwwIW	16	9	6	1	2	21	8	14	7	2	4	1	5	5	5	19							
Wrexham (8) IWwwl	16	8	6	1	1	14	4	13	8	1	5	2	13	27	4	17							
N. Brighton (15) dWwLl	16	7	5	1	1	14	3	11	9	2	6	1	15	17	5	16							
Port Vale (11) DWwll	16	8	5	1	2	19	11	12	8	1	6	1	12	20	3	15							
Rochdale (18) WdLlW	16	8	4	2	2	15	5	10	8	2	5	1	11	24	5	15							
Bradford C. (-) WIWw	16	8	5	0	3	19	11	13	8	1	7	0	8	20	2	15							
York (12) LllWw	15	7	3	2	2	11	8	8	8	3	4	1	15	19	7	15							
Crewe (20) IWwwl	16	8	3	3	2	8	6	8	8	3	5	0	9	14	6	14							
Southport (35) WwLdW	16	8	3	4	1	15	14	7	8	2	3	3	13	11	7	14							
Carlisle (10) DdDlW	16	9	4	3	2	14	10	10	7	2	5	0	8	14	4	14							
Halifax (7) WIWww	16	9	5	4	0	11	11	10	7	1	4	2	9	14	4	14							
Darlington (22) wLlWl	16	9	4	4	1	16	16	9	7	1	5	1	2	10	3	12							
Accrington (13) LllLW	16	8	3	5	0	9	16	6	8	1	5	2	5	12	4	10							
Hartlepool (6) dDdLl	16	8	2	4	2	11	12	6	8	0	7	1	12	31	1	7							
Barrow (16) LllLl	16	7	2	4	1	6	10	5	9	0	8	1	6	15	1	6							

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SCOTTISH LEAGUE																	
HOME																	
AWAY																	
	P P W L					Goals			Goals Pts. Tl								
	P	P	W	L		D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	Tl
Rangers (1) DwdWL	17	11	7	1	3	28	11	17	6	2	0	4	3	6	4	10	27
Motherwell (4) dDWDd	19	10	6	0	4	25	14	16	9	4	2	3	13	12	11	27	
Hearts (5) wDwDW	18	9	7	0	2	23	4	16	9	4	2	3	17	16	11	27	
Celtic (3) wDwDW	18	10	8	0	2	34	10	18	8	2	3	3	11	14	7	25	
Dundee (9) IDLH	20	10	7	2	1	21	16	13	10	3	6	1	19	16	7	20	
Falkirk (7) IWwDL	18	8	3	2	3	16	13	9	10	5	3	2	21	17	11	20	
St. Pstone (12) WSWWw	18	9	7	1	1	29	13	15	9	2	6	1	14	26	5	28	
Arbroath (14) wDWL	19	11	6	3	2	19	12	14	8	1	4	3	11	23	5	19	
Third Lanark (6) WLdWL	19	10	4	3	3	14	19	11	9	3	4	2	18	16	8	19	
Partick (13) IWDdL	18	8	5	2	1	19	10	11	10	2	5	3	11	25	7	18	
Aberdeen (2) wDwD	19	10	6	2	2	17	10	13	9	2	6	1	12	20	5	18	
Ayr (-) DdWD	18	10	3	1	6	9	18	12	8	2	5	1	8	24	5	17	
Hamilton (8) LDwLW	19	11	5	5	1	11	20	11	8	2	4	2	21	41	6	17	
St. Mirren (16) LRW	17	8	6	1	1	16	8	13	9	1	6	2	8	23	4	17	
Queen's O'S (18) dDdW	19	9	2	3	4	6	13	8	10	1	3	6	16	18	8	16	
Queen's Park (15) wDWLd	18	9	2	2	4	17	15	10	9	1	5	3	15	24	5	15	
Hibernian (17) IDWdW	18	9	5	1	3	22	10	13	9	0	7	2	8	21	2	15	
Clyde (10) DdWWL	18	9	3	2	4	19	15	10	9	0	6	3	13	24	3	13	
Kilmarnock (11) dDdL	18	8	3	4	1	11	16	7	10	1	6	3	15	28	5	12	
Morton (-) LLLH	18	9	2	6	1	23	29	5	9	1	8	0	10	28	2	7	

Glasgow, October 23.—Although he had been attending a wedding, T. Robson, the brother of the Heriot's

F. P. captain, was determined not to miss the Watsonian match. He arrived in the stand in morning coat and "topper," and got a special round of applause to himself.

NEW HCAPS FOR LOCAL RIFLEMEN

Inter-Colonial Matches

The steadily growing enthusiasm for rifle shooting was testified yesterday when between 80 and 90 members — the largest attendance on any Wednesday afternoon this season — took part in the usual mid-week spoon and practice shoot of the Rifle Association.

The Seaforth Highlanders, the Cabar Reidh Rifle Club, have thrown open to both full and affiliated members of the Rifle Association, the open daily events which will be shot during their rifle meeting on the Army Ranges on December 5 and 7.

The Council is awaiting the decision of the Council of the National Rifle Association regarding proposals concerning eligibility to compete in the Inter-Colonial Matches at the Imperial Meeting. Should these proposals be accepted, it is practically certain that Hong Kong will be represented at Bisley next July by a strong contingent.

NEW HANDICAPS

Handicaps recently fixed by the Association are:

S.R. (a).—C. Adams, 12; Sgt. Armstrong, 12; J. C. W. Bickell, 9; A. Bonnell, 13; T. J. Boulton, 8; R. Burdett, 12; D. E. C. Cavill, 14; C. Clark, 7; E. J. Commerford, 11; R. F. Dandridge, 14; R. J. Dickens, 14; W. Dunn, 14; F. Galle, 7; J. Gallogley, 14; J. J. Goulding, 13; M. Goulding, 14; F. Gray, 14; G. Griffiths, 14; P. G. Heather, 7; T. G. Johns, 13; J. Lever, 7; D. M. Looker, 7; J. A. Meek, 14; A. Middleton, 12; J. Miller, 10; W. Moffat, 13; W. Newton, 10; C. Noble, 12; F. Pain, 13; C. Pellow, 5; H. Perrin, 14; G. Plummer, 12; E. G. Pountney, 9; A. O. Pullman, 7; A. C. Rasmussen, 14; Reeves, 14; H. Richards, 7; J. Ringe, 12; H. Rose, 14; W. Russell, 14; Padam Singh (Hav.) 7; Padam Singh (L/Nk.), 7; Prem Singh, 5; R. Styles, 12; G. H. Thomas, 10; J. W. Williams, 13; D. Wilson, 14.

S.R. (b).—G. Bamforth, 12; Bower, 8; G. H. Griffith, 2; A. C. Hinds, 5; C. H. Knight, 5; J. Miller, 9; G. P. Murray, 7; F. Pain, 13; J. Payne, 6; H. Richards, 8; H. Rose, 10.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA BEAT

AUSTRIA

Prague, October 28 — Czechoslovakia, who play England at Tottenham on December 1 and Scotland in Glasgow a few days later, beat Austria 2-1 here to-day. It was their first victory over Austria since 1927.

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HOLLYWOOD-WASTING LITTLE TIME

George Eyston in
Thrill Film

Hollywood, November 23. Captain George Eyston, the British automobile driver who, only a few days ago, broke the world speed record at Bonneville Salt Flats, was to-day offered a leading role in a film dealing with racing by Warner Bros.

The man who only a few days ago travelled faster than any other on land was asked by Warner Bros. to take part in a film dealing with the progress of motor car racing. It was assumed that he would play the leading role and be featured in thrilling racing events breaking world records.—United Press.

SCOTLAND DEFEAT IRELAND

Victory For Adams
Over Mahon

INTERNATIONAL GOLF SERIES ENDS

London, October 28.

Scotland, who have not beaten England in the professional international golf match since 1903, won the triangular tournament at Cawder, near Glasgow on Saturday, when they beat Ireland by 12½ points to 2½.

England did not play, having beaten Scotland on the eve of the Open Championship, in their customary match, but it is now announced that next year they will participate in a quadrangular tournament.

The final table of the Cawder meeting was:

	Individual games.			
	Pld.	Won.	Lost.	Won. Lost.
Scotland	2	2	0	21 9
Wales	2	1	1	16 14
Ireland	2	0	2	8 22

The meeting of J. Adams (Scotland) and P. J. Mahon (Ireland) provided a great game, Adams winning by 5 and 4. Adams was 2 up when he reached the turn in 35 and then accomplished 4, 2, 4, 4 at the next four holes to become downy 5. He halved the 14th for his 5 and 4 victory, and then completed the round for a score of 67.



CIVILIAN HOCKEY TRIAL NEXT SUNDAY

POSSIBLES TO MEET PROBABLES

The following teams have been selected to play in a Civilian Hockey trial on the Club ground, K. g's Park, at 10.30 a.m., on Sunday next. If any of the undermentioned are unable to play, they are requested to notify either G. T. Palmer or A. E. P. Guest as soon as possible.

Possibles — (White) V. M. Benwell (Club); A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and E. L. Gosano (Recreio); Brown (Police), W. A. Reed (Club) and J. Gonsalves (Recreio); S. A. Fowler (Club), T. Whitley (Club), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), J. Pinto (K.I.T.C.), and A. P. Sousa (K.I.T.C.).

Probables (Colours): — Ramzan (K.I.T.C.); A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio) and Hayward (Police); Marques (Recreio), M. H. Hassan (Radio) and T. Alves (Recreio); Telok Singh (Radio); Alting (Y.M.C.A.); Gurbachan Singh (Radio); Kraus (Y.M.C.A.) and T. Wall (Police).



CLUB "A" RUGBY VICTORY OVER NAVAL FIFTEEN HENDERSON IN GOOD FORM

After a fairly even first half, the Club "A" beat the Navy by 3 goals and a try (18 points) to nil on the Club ground yesterday.

Henderson was in splendid form for the Club, scoring a try and converting two. Hynes opened the scoring in the first half, Henderson adding the goal points, but it was not until late in the second half that the Club broke through again to score through Needham, Henderson adding the extra points. Soon after, Henderson punted ahead and allowed up for another try, Oliphant failing to convert.

Just before the final whistle, Lammer dashed through the defence to score between the posts, Henderson again converting.

EASTERN COUNTIES AND KENT WIN

Rugby Union County Championships

London, To-day.

Two Rugby Union County Championship encounters were held yesterday when the Eastern Counties trounced Hampshire at Southend by 17 clear points, while at Richmond, Middlesex proved too good for Kent, winning by 13 points to 9.

In a friendly encounter, St. Thomas's Hospital lost at home to the Army fifteen by 19 points to 16.—Reuter.

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MR. ANTHONY EDEN ON THE CUSTOMS NEGOTIATIONS

London, To-day.

Replying to a Commons question on the present position regarding the Chinese Customs Service at Shanghai, the Foreign Secretary said that during the course of last week publicity had been given to a number of utterances attributed to the Japanese authorities in Shanghai which had appeared to His Majesty's Government to constitute a serious threat to the proper functioning of the Chinese Maritime Customs and the service of foreign loans secured on the Customs revenues.

Government had, accordingly, entered into consultations on the subject with the United States and French Governments.

His Majesty's Government had reminded the Japanese Government that the Chinese Maritime Customs had at all times been an international interest and that they expected to be fully consulted before any arrangements were reached for carrying on the Customs services during the present hostilities.

Similar representations had been made by the United States and French Governments.

Discussions, Mr. Eden said, were still proceeding.

DISCUSSIONS IN SHANGHAI

The discussions referred to by Mr. Eden are, it is understood, proceeding in Shanghai, between the British and other Powers concerned, including the United States and France on the one hand, and the Japanese authorities on the

other, in the light of assurances which have been given in Tokyo that due consideration will be accorded to the requirements of the various Powers before any provisional arrangement is made between the Japanese authorities in Shanghai and officials of the Customs administration.

MILITARY CONTROL

Asked in the Commons to make a statement on the Japanese Prime Minister's declaration about the possibility of Japan taking military control in Shanghai, the Foreign Secretary replied that he had seen a report of what was alleged to have been said to journalists and while he would deprecate any exaggerated deductions on this statement, he said the Government could not, of course, recognise the right of any of the Settlement Powers to take unilateral action for the solution of the problems arising from the administration of the Settlement.—British Wireless.

N.C.D.N. PREACHES DEFEATISM

Shanghai, To-day.

Echoing Signor Mussolini's advice to China to sue for peace, the "North China Daily News," in a leading article, states:

"The Japanese advance is being pressed toward Nanking, where it is becoming clearer that Japanese expectations of speedy success are justified.

"The fact is that the effort so lavishly made round Shanghai has broken the morale of the Chinese forces, and Japanese bombing activities along the Yangtse, judging from reliable accounts from travellers, have set up an indescribable panic.

PICTURE GRIM

"Ships are being rushed by frightened villagers; demoralisation of the Chinese Government forces has added numbers of soldiers to refugees between Shanghai and Nanking, whole tracts of country lie desolate, and the picture is grim.

"The Chinese Government still has a grip on the situation, and having heroically protested, China can afford to raise the issue of peace without fear of being ignored or with a sense of humiliation."

—Reuter.

FUKIEN DEFENCE PREPARATIONS

(Continued from Page 1)

mines are visible.

The s.s. Haitan narrowly escaped disaster, when one of the mines broke away and floated between the vessel and a tender which was approaching.

Between Foochow and Amoy, Chinese sappers are busily engaged digging trenches and constructing dug-outs, and in general preparing defences against any invasion of the coast.

GHOST CITY

Amoy is practically a "ghost city," about 80 per cent. of the population having evacuated. Every available boat leaving the port is crowded to capacity with Chinese, some proceeding to the Straits Settlements and the Netherlands East Indies. Thousands have left for the interior.

Most business houses have closed down, while those remaining open have huge placards announcing "Closing Sales."

Quemoy Island is still in the hands of the Japanese and three Japanese warships are anchored outside the harbour.

DOMESTIC PASSPORTS

Everybody, even coolies, travelling from place to place, must possess a pass issued by the Chinese Domestic Passport Bureaux, which have been recently established in coast towns.

Without such a pass, it is impossible to travel, and the pass must bear the holder's photo and state the destination. A pass endorsed for one place does not allow the holder to return to his starting point unless it is so endorsed.

Tension continues high in Swatow, where there is also much military activity.

Foreign vessels along the coast are not now being stopped by Japanese gun-boats, but signals are exchanged when information is required.

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Mr. T. L. Soong, Minister of Finance of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, arrived by plane in the Colony this morning from Hankow.

He was accompanied by nine members of his staff, including two foreign advisers.

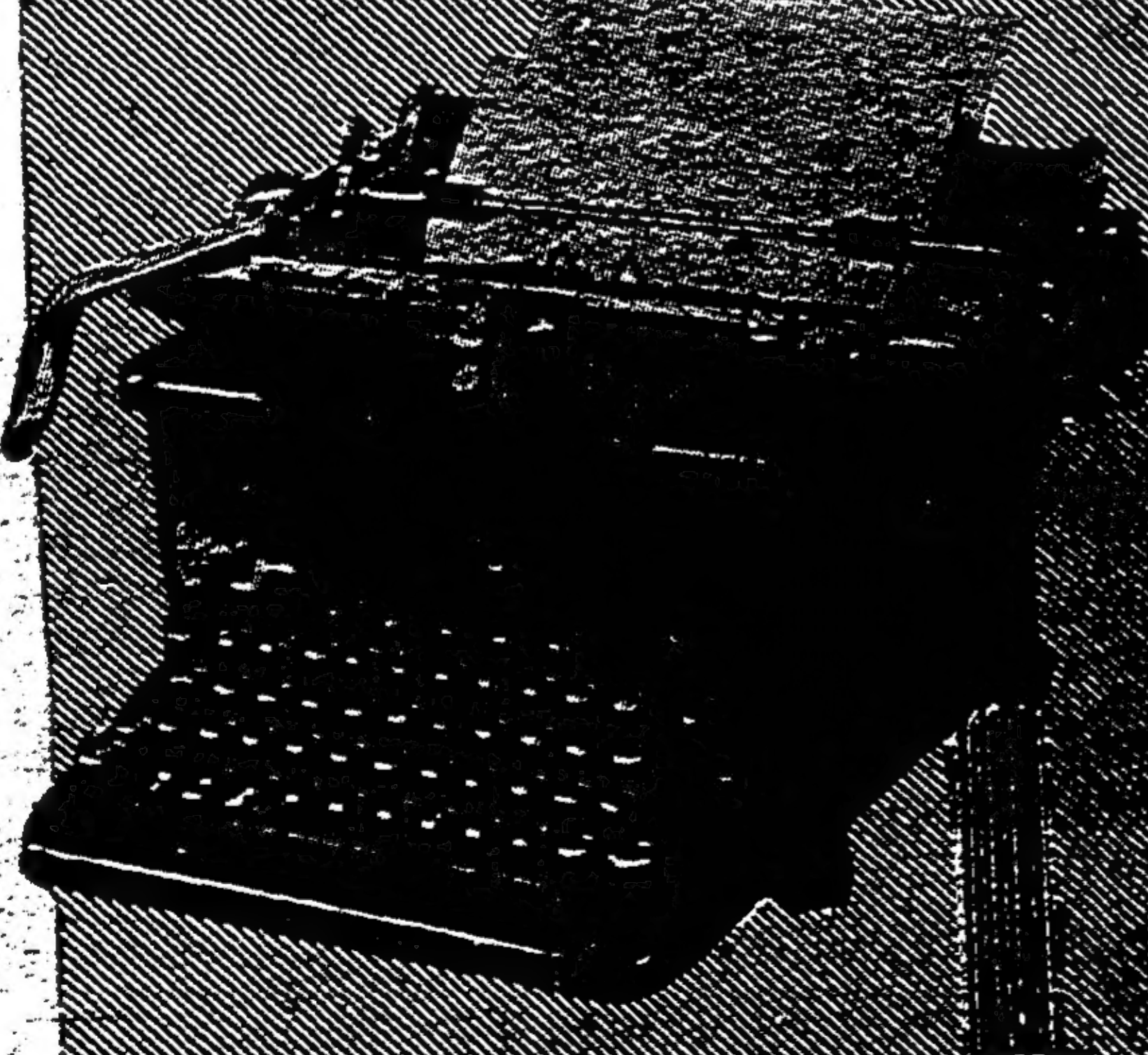
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